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Religious Focus Week Begins At Miss. College February 16

Beginning Feb. 16 and extending through Feb. 21, Dr. Frank H. Leavell and a picked team of Southern Baptist youth workers will appear on the Mississippi College campus at Clinton for what has become known as Religious Focus Week.

Religious Focus Week is a comparatively new innovation to the college campuses of Mississippi, having grown out of the Religious Emphasis Week which has received such wide recognition on the campuses of the state colleges.

The Religious Emphasis Weeks consisted of one or more religious workers on the state college campuses for a few days, placing stress on the application of Christianity to student life, on an interdenominational basis. After observing the remarkable results of this work, Dr. Leavell enlarged upon the idea and applied it to the campuses of denominational schools.

As it stands now, the main purpose behind Religious Focus Week is to show the students, faculty and administrative staff of the school that Christianity can be applied to every aspect of one's personal life in reality as well in theory.

Team of Specialists

A unique feature of the work is a team of noted speakers and specialists instead of one speaker for the entire week. Included on the team are student specialists in every phase of the students work. Classrooms are thrown open once during the week to a speaker who is a specialist in correlating the subject being studied to religion. Seminars are held on vital problems, group discussions meet, students and a team member hold forums during the week on current problems and interviews on the various aspects of the work are held with individuals and groups. In this manner, the workers have been able to "provide emphasis which has previously been unknown."

Included on the team Dr. Leavell is bringing to Mississippi College are some

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WORLD ALLIANCE WILL MEET; DR. NEWTON ISSUES STATEMENT

The Baptist World's Alliance will meet this summer in Copenhagen as previously scheduled according to Dr. Louie D. Newton, Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the Baptist World's Alliance. The following statement has been issued by Dr. Newton:

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke wrote me a letter on January 24, the day before the fatal stroke, in which he said:

"We must go on with the plans for Copenhagen. You will remember that we saw difficulties when we planned the meeting, but we must not turn back now. The Baptists of the war-ravaged countries have been cheered

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DR. FRANK H. LEAVELL

Dr. Frank H. Leavell, Southwide Student Secretary and leader of Religious Focus Week at Mississippi College.

Southern Baptist Foundation Open For Business

By Porter Routh

NASHVILLE, (SBPA)—The Southern Baptist Foundation opened officially for business this week with a shiny new charter, and found the Sunday School Board waiting at the door as the first "customer" with an initial gift of \$10,000.

The Foundation, which was approved by the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Miami, "to encourage and motivate the making of gifts, donations, and benefactions by deed, by will, by gift, annuity contracts, or otherwise, for the advancement, promotion, extension, and maintenance of the various causes and objects now or at any time hereafter fostered by the Southern Baptist

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The Washington Review

By LARSTON D. FARRAR
Religious News Service Correspondent

CONGRESS GETS CAPPER'S UNIFORM MARRIAGE, DIVORCE BILL

Washington, D. C.—For the past eight years Senator Arthur Capper, the Republican from Kansas, has introduced a bill to amend the Constitution so that Congress may pass a uniform marriage and divorce act.

His bill had little chance of passage in former years. But in view of the present high divorce rate—there were more divorces than marriages in Los Angeles county in 1946—agitation for such a law is increasing.

With a little encouragement and prompting from outside forces, Senator Capper could push his proposal through Congress this year and the amendment could be presented to the various states for ratification.

Some religious leaders here see many

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Soviet Baptists Get Permission For New Seminaries-Sunday Schools Prohibited

By Religious News Service

MOSCOW (By Wireless)—Soviet authorities have given permission for the creation of new Baptist seminaries in Russia and for the reopening of a previously established theological school.

Jacob Zhidkov, chairman of the Baptist and Evangelical Union in the U.S.S.R., made this announcement during an interview here when he was asked whether Russian Baptists have any seminaries or Sunday schools.

He said Sunday schools do not exist in the Soviet Union as the constitution does not permit religious instruction to children except in their homes.

Claim Best Organ In Moscow

Zhidkov, a red-bearded energetic man of sixty-two, disclosed that five services are being held weekly in the church adjoining his office here. The church was recently redecorated and galleries were added to provide accommodation for 1,500 persons. Originally a Lutheran church, the building was taken over by the Baptists in 1923. It claims to have the best organ in Moscow.

The Baptist and Evangelical Union, Zhidkov said, comprises 150,000 Baptists and an equal number of Evangelicals, but as many as four million persons regularly attend services in 3,000 churches scattered throughout the country.

About 70 per cent of Baptist and Evangelical pastors in Russia, Zhidkov declared, also work in other occupations, mainly in factories and offices, and on collective farms.

Some Bibles Printed

Questioned regarding facilities for Bible printing in Russia, Zhidkov replied

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Dr. T.L. Holcomb Is Main Speaker For Men's Meeting

Dr. T. Luther Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will deliver two addresses to the joint meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Pastors and Laymen's Conference and the Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Convention. This combined meeting of Mississippi Baptist Men will be held with the Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Dr. Claude Bowen, Pastor, on April 7-8.

Pastors and laymen from all the Baptist churches in Mississippi are invited to this gathering. Leaders are expecting a thousand men. Dr. Holcomb will speak at 7:30 p.m. on the theme of evangelism and on Tuesday evening on "Making Our Men A Great Missionary Force".

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Government Plans Religious Census

The Director of the Census is authorized by Congress to take a Census of the Religious Bodies in the United States every ten years, the first series having been taken in 1906. The information is collected through the use of a simple questionnaire, which is mailed to the individual churches, filled out by the pastor or clerk, and returned to the Census Bureau for tabulation. This census provides the only official government figures with respect to membership in the various

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Evangelistic Conference Speakers Are Criswell, Leavell And Wall

Three outstanding Southern Baptist leaders are scheduled for a series of addresses at the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference which meets at Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, February 25-28. Rev. John E. Barnes is host pastor.

They are: Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas; Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor, First Baptist Church, Shelby, North Carolina; and Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, President of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Among Mississippians who will take part in the four day conference are: M. E. Perry, H. H. Aultman, E. C. Edwards, A. S. Johnston, D. L. Sturgis, Carey Cox, Phil Walker, G. O. Parker, Luther Harrison, Claud B. Bowen, F. M. Purser, R. C. Holcomb, W. Douglas Hudgins, Riley Munday, P. I. Lipsey, Joe T. Odle and E. R. Willis.

Sessions will be held morning, afternoon and night. The first session will begin at 9:15 on Tuesday morning, February 25.

The complete program will be found on another page.

RELIGIOUS FOCUS WEEK BEGINS AT MISS. COLLEGE FEBRUARY 16

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of the most noted youth workers in the Southern Baptist territory. They are:

Miss Frances Barbour, graduate of Union University who has served on the staff of the Baptist Hospitals at both Memphis and St. Louis and is now As-



Rev. Joe Boyd, former All-American football player and economics specialist.

sociate Southwide Secretary in the Department of Student Work at Nashville, Tenn., and is an expert on the physical sciences and will have special interest for pre medical and other science students.

Dr. J. M. Dawson, who has had 40 years of experience as a pastor and is a renowned authority on International Relations, will have special interest for political science and related students. Mr. Dawson was the national representative for the Baptist denomination at the United Nations Conference in San Francisco. He is at present executive secretary of the Committee on Public Relations for Baptists of the U.S.A.

Dr. W. F. Howard, Baylor graduate, now state student secretary for Texas,



Rev. Reiji Hoshizaka, Japanese-American and youth revival specialist.

is noted throughout the South for his work in youth revivals and will have charge of the seminar on youth revivals.

Charles W. Horner is well known to Mississippi Baptists, being state student secretary, and former Dean of Men at Mississippi College.

Japanese American

Reiji Hoshizaki holds special interest for every student on the campus. Mr. Hoshizaki is an American citizen of Japanese parentage, born in the U.S.A. and a specialist on youth revivals. He has recently returned from Honolulu where he conducted a city wide youth revival.

M. Ray McKay, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, of Little Rock, Ark., is

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by the announcement that their brethren from many lands would meet them in Copenhagen. The program is completed. We must go on with the Congress."

I telephoned Dr. W. O. Lewis, General Secretary of the Alliance, in London, and asked him what he thought we should do about Copenhagen, in the light of Dr. Rushbrooke's death. He replied: "We must go on with the Congress."

Although transportation will be difficult, we will go on with the Congress at Copenhagen, July 29-August 3, Providence permitting. It was Dr. Rushbrooke's last request. He has built the program. His presidential address, already prepared, will be read, and this valdictory of the great, good man, will take place alongside the never-to-be-forgotten address of Dr. Truett in 1939 as one of the historic declarations of our Baptist heritage.

The passport division of the Department of State pointed out this week that it would be necessary for Baptists to have their official credineials from the Baptist World Alliance office in Washington before making application for passports. A birth certificate and a passport photograph are necessary in order to obtain a passport.

Travel officials were also more hopeful that additional ships would be in service by late summer which would make the travel conditions brighter.

Although our Southern Baptist Committee on transportation to Copenhagen voted in Nashville two weeks ago to wait until February 15 before making final announcement about going to Copenhagen, I am now fully convinced that we must go on with the Congress, as scheduled, trusting that the shipping lines can provide transportation for all who wish to go. Please write Mr. Porter Routh at once for instructions as to procedure. His address is 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee.

a specialist in the field of business.

Dr. J. W. "Bill" Marshall, is the foreign mission expert of the team, having traveled widely in the Orient, and is now personnel secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Courts Redford, assistant Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board is the expert on Home Missions.

Dr. A. E. Tibbs, professor of sociology and education at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is an expert on psychology and sociology, and will connect these subjects with applied Christianity.

Joe Boyd is probably the most interesting member of the team. He is a graduate of Texas A. and M. where he was All-Southwestern conference tackle in 1938 and 1939 and All American in 1939. He was heavyweight boxing and wrestling champion of the school and is at present pastor of the Beckley Wynnewood Baptist Church in Dallas, Tex., and until his advent into the ministry was a CPA. His special task with the team will be correlating the field of economics to applied Christianity.

High lights of the weeks will be the nine student seminars which will be conducted by the individual members of the team, leading the students in their investigation of current vital problems. Among these will be seminars in International Relations; Maximum Christianity in the Secular Professions; Love, Courtship and Marriage; and Christianity made practical.

REV. JAMES W. FARRISH FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI

YOUR ORDER FOR 50,000 CENSUS CARDS RECEIVED. WILL BE FORWARDED MONDAY IS THE LARGEST ORDER EVER RECEIVED BY THIS OFFICE CONGRATULATIONS TO THE OLD HOME CITY AND COUNTY WILL INCREASE THE TEMPO OF OUR MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST EVANGELISTIC VISITATION CAMPAIGN REGARDS

D. A. McCALL

SOUTHERN BAPTIST FOUNDATION OPEN FOR BUSINESS

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Foundation" will stimulate interest in the giving of large gifts to convention enterprises.

Designated gifts can be given and the earnings will be used as instructed. Where the gifts are not designated, the income of such donations will be distributed on the approval or recommendation of the Southern Baptist Convention or the Executive Committee.

President of the new foundation is W. Maxey Jarman, president of the General Shoe Corporation, Nashville, and a deacon in the First Baptist Church. Lowry B. Eastland, Baton Rouge, La., insurance executive, is vice-president, and Raymond L. Rogers, Nashville banker, is secretary. Duke K. McCall Nashville executive is the secretary, and can furnish additional information.

Other members of the Foundation are Louie D. Newton, John H. Buchanan, L. Howard Jenkins, G. Frank Garrison, W. F. Powell, Wallace Bassett, John W. McCall, Olive B. Martin, J. Clyde Turner, C. E. Matthews, P. I. Lipsey, T. L. Holcomb, Joseph E. Brown, William Gupton, M. P. Brothers, Jack Massey, Robert S. Kerr, J. A. Southern, and L. L. Gellerstedt.

GOVERNMENT PLANS RELIGIOUS CENSUS

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religious denominations or organizations.

Preparations are now being made for the 1946 Census and the schedules will be mailed to the churches early in 1947. This is a most important inquiry and for its success it is vital that the Bureau of the Census have the utmost cooperation from the pastors or clerks of the churches, as well as from all religious leaders and officilas. The census includes a question on the number of members of each local church, with a supplementary question on the number under 13 years of age. The second question on membership will facilitate comparison among denominations having different provisions for inclusion of young children as church members.

If the statistics of religious organizations are to be of maximum value,

SOVIET BAPTISTS GET PERMIS- SION FOR NEW SEMINARIES-SUN- DAY SCHOOLS PROHIBITED

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plied: "Since the Revolution, there have been two Bible printings—in 1926, when 25,000 copies were printed; and in 1927, when 10,000 were printed. In each case the printings were done on presses owned by the state."

The Baptist leader added that in 1940 the Union received large numbers of Russian-language Bibles from missionary societies in London, New York, and Chicago, which were sent via the Baltic republics.

"At present," Zhidkov declared, "there is a paper shortage, but we have been given official authority to print Bibles and hope to do so soon. At present, we are publishing a magazine called Brotherly Herald, which appears six times yearly and is distributed to all our communities as well as to Baptist friends abroad."

Church baptisms are carried out in Moscow churches where baptismal tanks are available, but in other parts of the country they are performed in secluded lakes and rivers, Zidkov declared. He said the central Baptist church in Moscow is also used by Seventh-day Adventists, an independent group which does not belong to the Union.

O. B. Edwards, church clerk of Enon Church, Winston County, recently sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions for the Baptist Record. Enon Church has long been a good friend of the Baptist Record, and such lists have helped the Baptist record maintain its present large subscription of more than 56,000 weekly.

It is essential that the returns be accurate and complete. The census can be completed promptly only if each pastor will participate wholeheartedly in the work by filling out the schedule for his church and returning it promptly to the Bureau of the Census. It is a tremendous task to obtain returns from the more than 250,000 churches. It is hoped that the church leaders will realize the importance of the census and will do everything in their power to help the Census Bureau secure prompt reports from all the churches.

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Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

"For The Kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the Governor Among the Nations," Psalm 22:28.

I

Mississippi Baptists deserve the best. We believe we gave them just that in the Co-operative Program promotional meeting. Baptist leaders and workers came from Corinth, Ripley, Holly Springs, Senatobia, and other points against the Tennessee line in the north. They came from Moss Point, Pascagoula, Biloxi, Long Beach, and other points from the extreme southern part of the state. They seemed to come from everywhere. They came for the most part on time and stayed through the closing conferences. We easily had our 1000 and more. Every speaker brought a splendid message.

Christ deserves the best from Mississippi Baptists. We must give him just that! If we even come close to giving him our best, 325,000 strong, we will largely take this state for Christ. We will reach the unchurched and the unenlisted with the gospel of Salvation and service. We will work with Christ in building His churches. We will have a part in bringing in His Kingdom. We will put over the Visitation Evangelistic Campaign. We will have more than 100,000 tithers. We will give more than \$83,333.33 through the Co-operative Program each month on that \$1,000,000 goal for 1947. We will thus have a larger part in preaching the gospel around the world. If we give Him our best!

We have had tens of thousands of census cards printed. We were so swamped with orders at the meeting February 3, our supply was exhausted. We are having 35,000 additional census cards printed. Let your orders come in. We will be glad to fill them.

The Co-operative Program Promotional Meeting, February 3, showed again what Mississippi Baptists are capable of doing if they pull together in love for Christ and His work. Mississippi Baptists have done some marvelous things for Christ, but have not really approached their maximum for Christ. However, we are on our way toward doing that thing!

II

Mississippi Baptists have proved over and over again that they are well able to do things in a big way in the service of Christ when they really put their hearts into it. In our opinion that \$1,000,000 Co-operative Program goal for 1947 is the most difficult task we have assigned ourselves since the Debt Paying Campaign. We are on the way, but we have not yet attained the level necessary if we reach that high mark.

Despite torrents of rain which meant disrupted and interrupted services in January, we received \$70,567.54 through the Co-operative Program. This is \$11,906.73 more than we received in January 1946. It is \$8,430.13 more than we have ever received any one month through the Co-operative Program.

We must receive an average of \$83,333.33 per month through the Co-operative Program alone if we are to reach the \$1,000,000 goal for the year. Thus we see we are about \$12,000 short of that average our best month. It can be done!

III

In the Evangelistic Visitation Campaign, February is a time of census taking. We provide the census cards upon order. We also have assignment cards for use in making use of the census findings.

We are still in the tithers campaign looking for 100,000 Mississippi tithers and 1,000,000 Southern Baptist tithers. We provide upon order a very nice duplicate tithers card in two colors.

We have sent out multiplied thousands of all these materials.

Dr. R. G. Lee's tract, "The Menace of Mediocrity" is now off the press and will be sent to each one desiring one or more copies. Many pastors and other church leaders are ordering them for general distribution.

A splendid Co-operative Program tract by Dr. Norman W. Cox, Meridian, is just off the press and will be sent in large or small quantities upon request. The title of the tract is "Eight Reasons Why Baptist Churches Should Financially Sustain Their Missionary Ministries Through Their Co-operative Program."

Many orders have been filled for Dr. Dillard's tract, "The Why, When, and How of the Co-operative Program" and for the "Let Us End Rebellion Against God" by D. A. McCall. This two page tract gives an emphatic tithing emphasis and shows clearly the proposed distribution of the Co-operative Program funds for 1947.

We will be happy to send a file of Evangelistic, Stewardship, Mission, doctrinal, Bible study, and Co-operative Program tracts to any individual upon request.

"A Cry Heard Around the World" is the title of a sermon by D. A. McCall on the Crucifixion of Jesus. This sermon has been preached through Mississippi, in several other states, in some foreign countries, and this printing is the transcription of the sermon as delivered at Winona Lake, Indiana. Please feel free to order copies of this tract as desired.

IV

We feel sure the largest request for census cards ever received at this office came February 3 from Laurel and Jones County. They desired 50,000 for an associational wide census. Our supply being temporarily exhausted we were unable to supply them right then, but it shows that the Kingdom business is picking up in this regard.

Jackson has just taken a city wide census. Montgomery County is planning an associational wide census. Mississippi Baptists are on the march! Doxology!

V

Brother Jim Metts, another one of our fine pastors, in the closing moments of one of our conferences February 3 called upon Mississippi Baptists, preachers, deacons, and all the rest to confess our sins. That is not a pleasant topic, we will admit. Most of us are willing for the other fellow to confess his sins. We like to think we don't have any, or at least the sins of the other fellow are much

worse than ours. The Word of God declares, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9). The Bible says, "Confess your faults one to another and pray one for another." (James 5:16).

Some of us believe the Bible is to be obeyed and followed. Jesus says in Matthew 5:23-24, "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift." Are we fast or slow in obeying Jesus at this point?

Furthermore Jesus says in Matthew 18:15, "Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone; if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother."

Since early in our ministry, we have made it a practice to follow the teachings of Jesus in this matter. Some great blessings have come to us in doing this. We do not know of a single person in such circumstances to whom we have not gone or to whom we would not go.

The world waits on the very spirit of Christ in the life of His followers as much as anything we know.

Another matter that will prick our consciences: a few years ago while pastors were differing, fussing, and bickering about it, the liquor forces, the Sabbath desecration forces, gambling forces, et cetera, insinuated and strengthened themselves in our midst. We need to recognize that there is a pay day for engaging in some of the tommy rot we call New Testament procedure.

VI

We regretted to lose Miss Eunice Sandlin by resignation. She has rendered many fine and valuable services to the work. We wish her every good thing in the days ahead. We do not plan to replace her with another worker unless we find it absolutely necessary. With special campaigns out of the way, in an economy move we have reduced our bookkeeping personnel by one and our office secretaries by two. Incidentally, this will mean our office secretaries will not be able to do as much as heretofore for the Convention committees, and so forth.

During these years we have lost three regular workers to home duties and two by resignation to enter other fields. No employee has been discharged. The high type personnel coming to us have been a constant source of joy and satisfaction.

VII

In looking over mission gifts from First Baptist Church, Columbus, Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor, we note that in 1946 a little over 50% of their contributions went to Mission causes. This is a great record for a great pastor and a great church. Doxology!

Mr. George E. Oakley, treasurer, Wheeler Baptist Church, enclosed two mission checks and gives us the very fine news that his church has doubled the Co-operative Program contributions. That is the spirit that makes for victory.

VIII

Recently while passing through Laurel we paid a visit to the home of Dr. L. G. Gates. He and Mrs. Gates were doing nicely and it was a joy to see them.

We were at East Starkville with Pastor A. C. Furr. We were in Mississippi College with him and it was a joy to have some close fellowship with him in connection with this service. Despite rain a good congregation was present.

We were greatly inspired in a meeting with the Clarke Memorial College Ministerial students. Almost an hour was spent in answering questions that were asked from the floor. In addition, we had some good fellowship and refreshments.

Wednesday evening we were at the Preachers' School at Philadelphia. Incidentally, we talk aloof of some of the preachers who were in attendance upon this school. We are greatly indebted to Dr. Walter L. Johnson, host pastor who also served as dean of the school and to First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, for entertaining the school. This is a dynamic church under a great leadership. Dr. Johnson is one of the greatest successors for which one might wish. We were delightfully entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jones. Many friends will remember Walter Jones, a welcome address fame.

On a visit to Philadelphia we also had delightful fellowship with Mr. Louis Lowrey and his family members. We chatted briefly with Mr. Wilbur Cole, Board member and outstanding layman, as we considered Choctaw Indians and other missions work of that section.

Sunday morning we were with the saints at Tylertown, one of our stronger churches, and their saintly pastor, Dr. W. R. Cooper. The congregation filled the house.

In the afternoon we were at Magee's Creek where Pastor A. J. Chandler is leading in a fine way. This is a full time rural church with a nice parsonage.

At night we were with another strong full time rural church—New Zion. Brother R. D. Kennedy, the very fine pastor, carries a good load as student and instructor at the New Orleans Seminary and pastor of this full time church.

Wednesday night we were at the Powell Memorial Presbyterian Church, Jackson. We talked on India and showed pictures. Dr. W. A. Hall, the pastor with whom we have had some very fine fellowship in the years, was away on a business trip to Richmond, Virginia.

Thursday we were privileged to bring two messages at Clarke Memorial to the field workers association. Rev. R. B. Patterson, president. The auditorium was packed that morning and just about filled in the evening. One always is impressed with the great spirit existent here. In the afternoon we looked over some fields with our friend Rev. John I. Hill and enjoyed the refreshment of his home in the early evening.

Sunday morning we were at Ethel with Brother P. F. Bard, a pastor student.

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Our Failures Plus God Equal Victory

An experience of recent weeks which called forth all the energies and strength of one's being brought to us at first a sense of complete failure. Having done all in the human realm in a situation which called for speed as well as precision, tact and patience, there was a sense of wishing for other hands to help. It was a case of "Opportunity knocking but once."

We Can Limit God!

During the first days after the experience the words of the song "Throw Out The Lifeline" seemed to take on significance. And it were as if single-handed we could not throw the lifeline far enough to reach the one who was sinking. Of, for someone who had more strength than we! And as the thought of the Omnipotence of our Lord came, there came also the realization that God Himself is limited by our neglect to minister to those in need. Perhaps ours may not be unwillingness, but whether carelessness, indifference or ignorance, the same end results. Together we may accomplish many things for Christ that we cannot accomplish singly. As church members we have resources not yet tapped for the Lord. We hold the keys. God does not force us to minister to those in need about us.

Surely it is God's will for us to follow Him and for all men to be saved. He has made that possible. But circumstances have a way of sometimes postponing the carrying out of His will at a particular time. As Christians we know that ultimately His will will be done. As to individuals we may thwart His will completely in our own lives. But in the case of others, we may delay the execution of His will.

God has let Christians prosper and wane, then suffer and flourish, many times in the two thousand years since Jesus walked the earth. Along the way many have hindered the progress of the kingdom, but

in the final analysis He will not be thwarted.

From the prophet Isaiah (59:1) words of comfort came to dispel the gloom of failure. "The Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save." Realizing that some had not been ready to step into the breach, there was also the knowledge that "Jesus never fails" and that the Lord would find others to rally to this particular need.

Jesus said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." And again, he said, "They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick." The sick are about us, and when illness is evident we voice our sympathy, whether that sympathy provokes us to action or not. But too often we cannot see with physical eyes the sin-sick. Only as we let the Holy Spirit dwell within us may we discern some of the needs of those about us. Through Him we may have the grace to minister in the name of Jesus, our Lord.

Individuals Are Important

Individuals are important. We do not find the Lord forsaking the individual for the multitude. Rather His ministry was chiefly with individuals. On several occasions he ministered to the multitudes, but most of His time was spent training His disciples, healing the sick and teaching. In order to meet the demands upon Him, He would steal away alone or with those dearest to Him to pray. In those early or late hours of prayer He would find "the bread that we know not of" and the courage to follow through to the consummation of God's will, in spite of traitors, of cruel Jews or of timid and fearful friends.

And while our best may not at the moment make the carrying out of God's will possible, God's will will be done by other hands and in other places, for "The Lord's hand is not shortened." And from seeming defeat there came joy that can come only from faith in knowing that God cannot be defeated. Even the Gates of Hell shall not prevail against Him and His Church.

In the face of His Omnipotence, His Omniscience and His Omnipresence, our responsibility is not lessened, for we are part and parcel of His Church, the Bride of Christ. To her He gave the commission to take His message of salvation. We may spread the Gospel to our next door neighbors and to those nearby as we go in person, but we must go by proxy as we send others across the expanses of plain and sea. By joining hands and hearts with our gifts and prayers we may send the message unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

Give Money, But Also Give Yourself

Help materially as you contribute toward the Million Dollar Goal for the Cooperative Program, but if you would have your soul thrill seek opportunities of service as you minister personally to those whom the Lord sends your way. Don't let that service be a matter of convenience, but be faithful to every opportunity afforded you. If you pray for the wisdom to recognize the opportunities, God will give you experiences that will turn the tears of despair and defeat into victory, for He cannot be vanquished. He will ever be the Victor and the Conqueror, even over the last enemy, Death.

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Alabama Woman Suggests Club

An Alabama woman, Miss Alma B. Burgess, a reader of the Baptist Record has written to President and Mrs. D. M. Nelson suggesting a new kind of club. She has been inspired by the progress of the Mississippi College Enlargement campaign, and suggests that she would like to belong to "A Woman's \$1,000 Club" to honor the Mississippi College boys who lost their lives in World War II.

She enclosed \$1.00 as the initial gift and pleaded for 999 other women to share in this project.

Such a club as suggested would, according to the donor of the first dollar, be a fitting memorial to the gallant boys who gave their all—in helping to provide Christian education for the ones who returned, to carry on the work of the world.

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The Government Census

In the press at this time we note announcements that the U. S. Government Department of Commerce, is planning to take the religious census of this country. The first such count was made in 1906, and every ten years since then.

Many will recall as least one religious census which was followed by a heated controversy regarding its findings. We wonder if Southern Baptists will get busy now, perhaps unpleasantness may be kept at a minimum. We Baptists have a fine Department of Statistics, but the form mailed out by the government declares it will be sent to "individual churches, filled out by the pastor or the clerk and returned to the Bureau of Census for tabulation."

It is always difficult for Government departments to understand how SOUTHERN BAPTISTS RUN THEIR WORK WITHOUT ONE LEADER ABOVE ALL IN THE SEAT OF

AUTHORITY. An ounce of prevention may save the proverbial pound of controversy, if we try to get correct counts, in the present census.

Therefore, perhaps we Southern Baptists may be able to "explain ourselves" and show to the world the pure democracy that is ours in the local churches. We believe it is noteworthy that this government census form contains a place for distinguishing between numbers of members old enough to choose to belong, from the young children who are counted as members.

We believe this matter is worth giving some thoughtful attention.

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The Chinese Way

In his recent report to the Convention Board, Rev. D. I. Young, missionary to the Chinese at Greenville cited the following facts: Missions contributions \$941; for pastor's salary \$391 or a ration of almost three to one for missions over pastor's salary.

In many Mississippi churches the ratio is more often one-third or less for missions and two-thirds or more for local expenses.

Missionary Young also stated that the Chinese do not favor soliciting church funds from the Chinese who are not Christians. If voluntarily given they are accepted.

Let us learn from the Chinese.

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STARKVILLE INAUGURATES A JUNIOR CHURCH

Under the leadership of Pastor J. D. Ray and his associate, Rev. G. Ben Seitz, the First Baptist Church of Starkville has organized a Junior Church. This innovation came not only because of the lack of space in the auditorium to take care of both adults and young people, but because the church recognized that they were not meeting the spiritual needs of the children.

The ages for the Junior Church are of Primary and Junior ages, six to thirteen years. The first service was held on January fifth. Mimeographed orders of service and announcements are prepared for each Sunday. At the second service 65 boys and girls were in attendance. Twenty-five constituted the regular membership, 40 were not church members.

The juniors elected from their number, using only those who are church members, four deacons and four deaconesses: Jimmy Arnold, Jimmy Dunn, Billy Massey, Aubrey Dean Skelton, Patsy Bailey, Sarah Jane Etheridge, Betty Massey and Mary Elizabeth Portlock. Department leaders were also elected. Mrs. J. H. Davis serves as pianist and Rev. Ben Seitz as pastor. The choir leader is Jimmy Davis. Mrs. Portlock, Choir Director, helps with the music.

When uniting with the church the boys and girls can be accepted only in the congregation composed of the adult members.

PROGRAM
MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST EVANGELIS-
TIC CONFERENCE

February 25-28, 1947

Main Street Baptist Church
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
John E. Barnes, Jr., Host Pastor
D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary, and
Director of Evangelism

Presiding

Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday-Friday
Morning Sessions

Song Directors: M. E. Perry, H. H.
Aultman, E. C. Edwards, A. S. John-
ston

Pianist: Mrs. W. R. Roberts

9:15 a.m.—Let Us Sing and Pray

9:45 a.m.—D. L. Sturgis, Carey Cox,
Phil Walker, G. O. Parker

10:10 a.m.—W. A. Criswell, Dallas

11:10 a.m.—Let Us Sing and Pray

11:20 a.m.—Announcements

11:30 a.m.—Special Music—Luther
Harrison

11:45 a.m.—Zeno Wall, Shelby N. C.

12:45—Noon

Afternoon Sessions

2:15 p.m.—Let Us Sing and Pray

2:30 p.m.—Claud B. Bowen, F. M.
Purser, R. C. Holcomb, W. D. Hudgins

3:15 p.m.—Riley Munday

3:25 p.m.—Let Us Sing and Pray

3:30 p.m.—P. I. Lipsey

The Preacher Looks at the Book

E. R. Willis

The Laymen Looks at the Preacher

J. T. Odle

The Preacher Looks at the Laymen

F. M. Purser

All Look at Christ

4:15 p.m.—Let Us Sing and Pray

4:30 p.m.—Adjourn

Evening Sessions

7:00 p.m.—Let Us Sing and Pray

7:20 p.m.—Special Music — Luther
Harrison

7:35 p.m.—Zeno Wall

8:30 p.m.—Announcements

8:40 p.m.—Let Us Sing and Pray

8:50 p.m.—W. A. Criswell — R. Q.

Leavell (Friday Night)

9:45 p.m.—Adjourn

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For Your Information

By Porter Routh

PARTIES PLANNING TOURS TO
BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE AT
COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

(June 29-August 3, 1947)

The listing of these tours does not
constitute a recommendation but they
are given as a matter of information.

1. J. W. Marshall (All American
Baptist Party), Box 5148, Baptist For-
eign Mission Board, Richmond, Vir-
ginia (Working with Thos. Cooke and
Sons Inc.)

2. Roland Q. Leavell, 1220 Washing-
ton Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana
Frank Leavell, 161 Eighth Avenue,
North, Nashville 3, Tennessee; William
C. Boone, 127 East Broadway, Louis-
ville, Kentucky; Claude U. Broach,
St. John's Baptist Church, Charlotte,
North Carolina Working with Brown-
nell Tours Birmingham, Alabama)

3. Aubrey Hearn, 161 Eighth Avenue,
North, Nashville 3, Tennessee; H. S.
Sauls, First Baptist Church, Denmark,
South Carolina (Working with Elliott
Tours)

4. Gilbert L. Guffin, Howard College,
Birmingham, Alabama (Working with
Major Robert Argo. This tour entirely
by air.)

5. Mrs. Burwell W. Jones, 6862 Clay-
ton Avenue, Dallas 14, Texas (Briar-
hurst Travel Party)

6. Dr. Alton Reid, Park Cities Bap-
tist Church, Dallas, Texas; Odell Jam-
ison, Forest Avenue Baptist Church,
Dallas, Texas; J. R. Hickerson, Brown-

THE FOUNDATION AND THE
MINISTRY OF TEACHING

The Foundation serves our Baptist
colleges in offering a fine investment
opportunity for any endowment funds
entrusted to its care. The investment
and reinvestment of all funds is di-
rected by a group of outstanding
Christian business men of proven abil-
ity in this particular field of service.
The present endowments of our four
Baptist colleges are inadequate to
meet the challenging need of Missis-
sippi Baptists. As our Christian col-
leges grow in usefulness, in enrolment
and in physical plant facilities, each
should have an enlarged endowment
to take care of the increased expense
of operation. Through the Foundation
this worthy goal can be achieved by
gifts to the Foundation, or by estates
bequeathed to the Foundation by gen-
erous Baptists who desire to dedicate
all, or a part of their material posses-
sions to Christian service after they
are gone.

THE FOUNDATION AND THE MIN-
ISTRY OF HEALING

The Foundation gladly receives
funds of any amount toward the en-
dowment of the Mississippi Baptist
Hospital. The income from this en-
dowment will make it possible for the
hospital to enlarge its free service to
needy patients unable to pay for such
service.

THE FOUNDATION AND THE MIN-
ISTRY OF THE HOMELESS

The Foundation welcomes always
the opportunity to accept and invest
funds for the benefit of the Mississippi
Baptist Orphanage. A sizeable endow-
ment will result in expanded services
for the "fatherless."

THE FOUNDATION AND THE GOS-
PEL MINISTRY

The Foundation offers its services to
the State, Home and Foreign Mission
programs of the Baptist denomination.
In administering assets totaling more
than one-half million dollars the
Foundation is making its contribution
toward the propagation of the Gospel.

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Credits toward a diploma in theol-
ogy or religious education is granted
by the Southwestern Seminary to stu-
dents of an extension department
which enrolled some 75 students in
the latter part of 1946, with classes
conducted at the First Baptist Church,
Dallas, reports Rev. Chas. W. Hager,
business manager. A group of Dallas
pastors taught the various classes and
there are good prospects for a large
enrollment in 1947.

wood, Texas (Working with Fred L.
Haskett Travel Service, Dallas 1, Tex-
as)

7. Walter Ward Travel Service, Pied-
mont Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia.

WASHINGTON REVIEW

(Continued from Page One)

advantages from a uniform marriage
and divorce law.

They point out that it would do
away with present-day marriage and
divorce mills, by means of which hus-
bands or wives can get married (or
divorced) on the spur of the moment
in some areas. In some states, boys
and girls of 14 and 13, respectively,
are permitted to marry. In Nevada,
as is well-known, a divorce may be
obtained on either real or fancied
grounds in six weeks.

Senator Capper told his colleagues,
when he introduced his latest "mar-
riage and divorce bill" last week, that
the nation was "shocked" to learn
recently that "for every three cou-
ples that marched to the altar, one
wedding ended in the divorce courts."

"Are we going to allow this prob-
lem to wreck our homes, the very
core of civilization and human prog-
ress?" he asked. "I am convinced it is
one of the greatest dangers confront-
ing the American people today and
we must do something about it."

"After careful study of the problem
over a number of years, it is my con-
clusion that uniform federal regula-
tion of marriage and divorce laws
through a constitutional amendment
is necessary to correct the situation."

JUST AMONG BAPTISTS

If Dr. Edward Hughes Pruden's ears
burned last week, it was because some-
body was talking about him in the
White House.

Dr. J. M. Dawson, the amiable Texan
who is Washington spokesman for
the Baptists, dropped in on his fellow-
Baptist, Harry Truman, for a chat
about plans for the forthcoming Bap-
tist World Alliance meeting.

The two men are fellow-members
of the First Baptist church here, of
which Dr. Pruden is pastor.

When they had finished discussing
their formal business, Truman went
out of his way to compliment Dr.
Pruden. "A fine, competent minister,
one of the best I've ever known," the
President said.

Dr. Dawson agreed, and added: "Mr.
President, millions of us Baptists are
praying for you every day. I remem-
ber you in my prayers and I want you
to know it."

The President was visibly moved
and said he was proud to hear this.

It was not the first meeting of the
two noted Baptists. On the Sunday
after Dr. Dawson joined the First
Baptist church here—he formerly was
pastor of one of the most influential
churches in Texas—President Truman
shook his hand and said he was glad
to learn that the Baptists would be
represented in Washington.

RESOLUTIONS

Unanimously adopted at close of State Co-operative Program Promotional
Rally, First Baptist Church, Jackson, February 3, 1947.

RESOLVED:

1. That we express our sincere appreciation to the members of the First
Baptist Church and their princely pastor, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, for the
use of their building and for their gracious courtesies in connection with this
meeting;

2. That we convey to our guest speakers—Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, Miss Kath-
leen Mallory, Duke K. McCall, Dr. George W. Sadler, Dr. J. B. Lawrence and
Dr. J. W. Merritt—the deep gratitude of our hearts for their coming and for
their informing and inspiring addresses;

3. That we thank our beloved secretary, Dr. D. A. McCall, for his splendid
work in arranging this meeting and pledge to him our wholehearted coopera-
tion and our earnest prayers as he leads Mississippi Baptists in the special ef-
fort we are making this year in behalf of our Co-operative Program; and

4. That we recommend to our associations, pastors and churches through-
out Mississippi that a vigorous effort be made in every association to see that
the Co-operative Program shall be presented in every church at the earliest
possible time and that this presentation shall be followed up with either an
every-member canvass, in which the Co-operative Program is included, or a
special—and, if possible, a generous—offering for this Program.



Dr. R. G. Lee Is
Jackson Youth For
Christ Speaker

Next Saturday evening, February
15, at Jackson Youth For Christ Rally,
Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of Bellevue Bap-
tist Church, Memphis, will be the
guest speaker, according to Harold
Jordan, Director, Youth For Christ.

Dr. Lee has spoken before the Jack-
son Youth For Christ previously and
his message as always will be heard
with interest.

The hour is 7:30 and the meeting
place the auditorium of the Central
High School. Rec. John L. Gilbert,
associate pastor of Van Winkle
Church, will serve as song leader.

Four special numbers of music have
been arranged. They are Calvary Bap-
tist's Youth Choir, directed by Miss
Virginia Hoogenakker; Calvary Bap-
tist's Girls' Sextet; The Brass Ensem-
ble from Central High, and the Youth
For Christ Trio composed of Jane and
Josephine Evans, and Doris Akers.

Hear
DR. R. G. LEE

at

Jackson

Youth for Christ

Special Music

Saturday Night,

February 15

7:30

Central High

School

Auditorium

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

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CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Reported by States through Jan. 22

State	Total Receipts
Ala.	\$ 57,581.18
Ariz.	2,696.95
Ark.	39,168.05
Calif.	4,336.10
D. C.	2,252.89
Fla.	42,354.87
Ga.	70,008.50
Ill.	13,330.46
Ky.	47,108.51
La.	38,314.56
Md.	5,458.94
Miss.	48,454.16
Mo.	40,326.42
N. M.	8,367.56
N. C.	130,304.74
Okla.	50,000.00
S. C.	57,321.37
Tenn.	47,881.56
Tex.	315,295.87
Va.	131,387.91
	\$1,151,950.60

IMPORTANT INFORMATION For W.M.U. Mission Study New Plans

Refer to W. M. U. Year Book, 1947, pages 9, 17, and 43-52.

I Mission Study For W.M.S.

(See pages 43 for general discussion of year round plans including circle study and special emphasis during year)

1. **Requirements:** Points 8 on Standard of Excellence, Page 17 in Yearbook. Two classes annually; 1-3 membership completing study; 2-3 reading one missionary book a year.

2. **Promotional Aids:** Free book-marks from State W.M.U. Office. No certificates or seals except for young people, see pages 48,49, in Yearbook.

II Mission Study Classes

1-3 Membership pages 44-45 in Yearbook.

Also in forth coming World in Books.

1. **World Missions, Series I:** 8 textbooks selected from home, foreign, or world missions in World in Books, usually the latest books.

2. **Missionary Fundamentals:** 8 textbooks selected from pages 50-51 in W.M.U. Yearbook or from World in Books. This is a required list adopted by W.M.U. Add to Stewardship list, TO WHOM MUCH IS GIVEN, Thompson, Ab-Cokes, 60c.

3. **Kingdom Builders, Series III:** 8 books from four groups of approved books; see pages 51 in W.M.U. Yearbook. This also is a required list and cannot be changed except by action of W.M.U.

III Missionary Reading—2-3 Membership

1. **Reading Circles,** see pages 45 and 47 in Yearbook. Every member enlisted, easy circulating plan, wide variety of books used which include:

- (a) All texts not completed in classes
- (b) All titles marked RC in World in Books

2. **Missionary Round Table (Advanced mission readers)**

- (a) Free booklet describing plan and operation from state W.M.U. Office.
- (b) Free Booklist of accredited books from state W.M.U. Office or Baptist Book Store. Also marked MRT in World in Books

Mission study for young people's organizations (See W.M.U. Yearbook; pages 44, 45, 47, 48, 64, 68.

LOOKING AT THE LEADERS

By Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge

Have you ever wished that you might see in person and know intimately some of the leaders in our Woman's Missionary Union of the South?

We have just returned from the semi-annual Meeting of the Executive Committee and the Secretaries where these candid shots were taken:

Mrs. Creasman, Royal Service program editor, with a low voice that fits her low statue . . . Mrs. Irvin Lawrence and Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence are one and same. . . a clear thinker with an abundance of facts forcefully used. . . Mrs. Martin a parliamentarian par excellent, keeping clear the business before us. . . Miss Mallory, eager, alert, dynamic with an indomitable zeal for the work; one could almost fancy a radiance

evicting from her as she slips to her knees in thanksgiving for a record Lottie Moon Offering for Foreign Missions. Ten Royal Ambassador Secretaries; a heart warming experience to sense their masculine strength and influence with our boys. . . Mrs. W. J. Cox—somehow I think of Queen Esther, though I doubt if Esther could match such queenliness of looks, bearing and spirit: . . . and speaking of comparisons, Miss Ethel Winfield resembles Miss Traylor in bearing and manner. . . Wouldn't I like to have Miss Blanche Sydnor White's ability and her intimate acquaintance with missionaries. . . Miss Mary Northington, a practical, prodigious worker. . . Mrs. Farmer betray her years spent in Japan by that Oriental bow. . . Juliette Mather's flashing smile can be matched with a flashing eye when the welfare of her beloved Young People is involved. . . Mrs. Tyler, a Dresden China figure—a discerning, secretary with keen intellect. . . Dr. Littlejohn, serene and wholesome. . . Edwina, Staying quiet in session, popular with everyone. . . Nell, poised and neat—don't see an Executive Secretary or a Young People's Secretary in the whole bunch I'd exchange 'em for. . . glad Mrs. Crittendon invited me to eat with her; want to hear how a Mississippian feels transplanted to California. . . another former Mississippian, Mrs. Everett of La., making a fine contribution to my Committee. . . and here I am lunching with still another one time Mississippian—Mrs. Godbold; her slow drawl is arresting—nothing slow about those Community Mission plans. . . Mary Christian, lives up to her name; Mrs. J. Wash Watts, wholesome and fine. . . Mrs. Hickerson doesn't just talk Stewardship; there is the authority of practice in her voice. . . twenty State Presidents sitting in a circle you look at their character filled faces and feel humbled beyond words, to be included in that circle. . . Beauty operators saying, "Surely can tell your group from that other Convention. You're nicer!" . . . Well, we should be. We are on the King's Business and it demands the best that is within us.

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Pearlhaven Church, Brookhaven, B. F. Lewis, treasurer, recently sent a nice list of names to be added to the EVERY FAMILY list. Such lists have helped the Baptist Record to have a circulation of more than 56,000 weekly.



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary



TRAINING UNION ENSEMBLE CRYSTAL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Left to right: Rev. Joe T. Odle, Pastor, Betty Jean Weeks, Jane Farrar, Mrs. Earl Kennedy, Dolores Slay, Martha Lu Sumrall, Sybil Deweese, Sue Taylor, Joyce Lingle, and Mrs. William Laurier, Jr., Director.

The winners of first place in our State Training Union Ensemble Contest has been a blessing to the church at Crystal Springs. This group is a Singing Symphony and is to be found in their church every time they have a regular service. They sing at other places but at other times than their regular services. This Ensemble will sing at our Evangelistic Conference at Hattiesburg, Friday, February 28.

SUMMER SCHOOLS REQUESTED

Many summer Schools of Music have been requested during the last week. Already the last of June and the first of July is pretty well taken.

If you plan a School for the summer months, make your request now. You will be able to get a School later but you will not be able to choose your teacher or date.

Write today and tell us that your church will pay the teacher of a one-week School \$35 and that you want a certain date. We will try to take care of your requests.

EASTER MUSIC PLANS

Last week we suggested a program of music for the average Baptist Church in Mississippi to use. We must keep in mind that many of our Churches are small.

Larger churches should be working on an Easter Cantata now. Let us plan better music for Easter than we had last year. If you are in doubt about what to use, write us and we will have some suggestions.

MALE QUARTETS FOR BROTHERHOODS

Each week for the last five weeks we have had requests from Quartets over the state for Free books.

You can have a Brotherhood Quartet before you get your Brotherhood organized.

As long as our present supply lasts we will send three books Free to any Church sending the names of their men. Hurry with your requests!

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March Calendar Of Activities

Below is given the Mississippi Baptist Calendar of Activities for the month of March. Of course, all informed Baptists know that these items are only suggestions. If they are helpful to any church or individual, good. If they do not fit in with the program of any church, there is no obligation to use them.

Evangelistic Visitation Campaign Training and Enlistment.

3-7 W.M.U. Home Mission Week of Prayer; Leadership Schools for B.T.U. Workers in Leflore and Lincoln Counties; Training Union Study Courses.

10-14—Sunday School Conventions.

18-21—Stewardship Conferences; B.S.U. Study Course Month.

23-28—Calhoun County Sunday School Enlargement Campaign.

30—Home and Foreign Mission Day in Sunday Schools; Three Key Church Central B.T.U. Training Schools in Leflore County; Brotherhood Associational Quarterly Meetings, Soul Winning, Co-operative Program and Leadership Training.

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BETHEL ORDAINS DEACONS

At a recent service, the Bethel Baptist Church, Newton, ordained M. B. Simmons and W. R. Rowzee to the office and work of deacon. Both of these men have a long-standing record of faithful service to the Master in the Bethel Church.

The service was one of instruction and inspiration. Rev. R. A. Morris, Pastor of the Newton Baptist Church brought a fine message in the form of a charge to the deacons and to the church. Rev. E. H. Sizemore, Pastor of the Liberty Baptist Church led in the devotional thoughts of the service, and Rev. W. R. Allmon, Newton, led in the ordination prayer. Special music was rendered by a duet from Clarke College, Rev. Willie Spears and Mr. Carroll Freeman.

Rev. Charles L. Phipps is pastor at Bethel.

SPARKS & SPLINTERS

INTO TOMORROW (\$1.75) by Dr. John J. Wicker, president emeritus of Fork Union Military Academy, Fork Union, Virginia is a book that you will enjoy. The author is well known as a pastor, educator, writer and world traveler. This book contains the essentials of the author's parentage, schooling and fields of activity. It features the writer's philosophy of life expressed in terse, epigrammatic, quotable sentences. Some of the chapter headings are: Don't Die Young; Live On; Live and Laugh; Cry and Die; Be a Capitalist, You Can; Telling the Truth at Funerals. The publisher is the Broadman Press and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

FORTY YEARS IN THE LAND OF TOMORROW (Brazil) by the late A. B. Deter contains stories as exciting and full of action as any novel. This book gives some of the highlights of a life time of missionary service in Brazil. You will get intimate glimpses of a brave and fearless missionary couple who sowed the seeds of the gospel in the hearts of people, many of whom were wild and lawless. The story should be a real tonic to every reader because it tells of the marvelous power of Christ to save men who knew they were lost in sin. Published by the Broadman Press, the price is \$1.75 and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE in The Baptist Record. Evidence of this truth was recently proved when Dr. William Potter, Carthage pastor and author of "They Laugh At God" received a letter from England which contained a clipping of his advertisement from The Record and an order for some of the books.

Mack M. Summey, student of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, has recently been called to the pastorate of Union Baptist Church, near Tylertown. This progressive church plans to build a new house of worship with an educational building. Mr. Summey wrote: "I am happy that our church saw the wisdom of placing The Baptist Record in the home of every resident family in our church." Since Mr. Summey came to Union church it has gone to full time and contributions to all causes have almost tripled. Pastor Summey graduates from the New Orleans seminary this spring.

The B.T.U. of the First Baptist Church, Macon, sponsored a study course on "Christian Witnessing". Mrs. Fletcher Jackson, Jr., is director of the Macon B.T.U. The entire church membership participated in the intensive study. 20 of the adult union enrolled completed the course. Dr. T. D. Brown taught the adults; Rev. J. C. Monroe, Brooksville, taught the two intermediate classes. Mrs. Jackson informed The Baptist Record, "we feel that the courses were most inspiring and our members have become inspired to be better soul winners and resolved to be better Christians".

Rev. James B. Parker, Director, Institutional Visitation, Jackson, Mississippi requests that friends and pastors write him when some loved one, or friend, enters the Baptist Hospital, Charity Hospital, Foster General Hospital, or, The Saint Dominics Hospital. This will enable him to render greater service to suffering humanity. Address him, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

The editor of the Baptist Record has received an interesting letter from someone in Vicksburg signed "A Friend". We regret that we cannot reply nor can we use any of the material in the letter unless we know the name of the writer. Each week there is a notice on page four stating that unsigned communications cannot be used.

Georgetown: Pastor W. E. Hardy reports that the Georgetown Church has recently refurnished the interior of its spacious auditorium. With the ordination of six new deacons the church now has twelve. The new ones are, Arvell Ashley, S. H. Ashley, A. (Casey) Jones, W. D. Moore (treasurer), G. D. Purvis and L. D. Spell, Jr. Rev. J. B. Parker of the Department of Institutional Work, Baptist Headquarters, and missionary R. L. Carlisle assisted in the ordination of the deacons. Contributions to the Cooperative Program have increased 500%.

The pastors attending the Mississippi Pastors' School at Philadelphia adopted resolutions expressing appreciation to Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor of the First church, Philadelphia, the people of Philadelphia, the cafes and to the Baptist Convention Board. The resolutions also state that those present feel that much good was accomplished.

Mrs. Alice Brown, daughter of the late Dr. Sproles, writes that she thinks the list of subscribers (728) from Attala County was wonderful. She comments on the opposition and poverty that her father and Dr. Gambrell had to combat, and that they would be amazed were they living.

GOD IS LOVE IN ANY LANGUAGE (25c) by Mrs. Clyde V. Hickerson and published by the Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn., is an excellent book for children. The stories are told in a very interesting manner about how the love of God is understood in any language. Order from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store.

HOLY HOURS IN THE HOLY LAND by Dr. Walter R. Alexander is well worth the price of \$2. Most of us will never set foot upon Bible lands. We will never know the joy and profit from such an experience. But this book gives you the details you long to envision, and has the effect of making you feel you have been there. Artistically written, and illustrated with ten photographs taken by the author and party Bible scenes and stories will live in your thoughts in a far more vivid way after reading this book. Orders should be sent to the publisher, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 255 Jefferson Ave., S. E. Grand Rapids 3, Mich., or the Baptist Book Store.

Word has come to this office reporting the sudden death of Mrs. Lawson H. Cooke of Memphis, wife of the Executive Secretary of the Brotherhood of the South. Mrs. Cooke died on Friday night, February 7 and the funeral was held on Monday, February 10.

Dr. Perry F. Webb celebrated his tenth anniversary at First Church, San Antonio, Texas on January 26. Among those participating in the anniversary services were Dr. Wallace Basset, pastor Cliff Temple Church, Dallas; Dr. E. D. Head; president of Southwestern Seminary; Dr. J. Howard Williams, executive secretary of Texas Baptist Convention; and Dr. David M. Gardner, editor Baptist Standard. The ladies of the church honored Dr. and Mrs. Webb and Rebecca and Perry, Jr. at a reception on the Wednesday preceding the anniversary Sunday.

Louisiana College Presents Unique Nursing Opportunity

The Collegiate School of Nursing at Louisiana College, Pineville in collaboration with the Baptist Hospital, Alexandria, Louisiana is now enrolling its September, 1947 class.

This school presents an unusual opportunity in that a B.S. degree in nursing and an R. N. are achieved in four calendar years. This is accomplished by close integration of college and hospital. Instruction at the hospital is also on the college level. The school is fully accredited.

Two years will be spent in residence in a fine Christian college specializing in the development of the individual. Two more years of professional education and experience will be spent in one of the best equipped hospitals in the world. After college, the graduate will qualify for positions of responsibility and leadership in the profession anywhere.

She will have a choice of positions and will rate the highest salary.

High school seniors in the upper third of their class who desire to be a nurse should write at once to the Baptist Hospital, Alexandria, Louisiana.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., —(RNS)— Expansion of Catholic newspaper and magazine circulations to reach "every home in the country" was urged by Archbishop John Gregory Murray, of St. Paul, Minn., in an official statement issued in connection with the annual observance of Catholic Press Month in February.

Hattiesburg: Dr. W. A. Bell, chairman of homes and Dr. John E. Barnes, chairman of hotels and tourist courts, will appreciate the sending of your names to them if you plan to attend the Evangelistic Conference in Hattiesburg, February 25-28.—Virgil Ratcliff, publicity chairman.

A special issue of The Courier, bulletin of First Church, Crystal Springs, was prepared by Miss Sybil Dewese, Educational Secretary, and several members of the church. The special issue contains pictures of the Odles and tells of their work in the church. Sufficient copies were printed for every member of the church to have one and also some for former members and friends. This bulletin was distributed on February 9, the last Sunday of Rev. Joe T. Odle's ministry, before he takes up his work with First Church, Gulfport.

Miss Bessie Purvis, W.M.U. Field Worker, was in Jackson County the first week in February. Nine of the eleven Societies were visited, and 117 persons contacted. The third Association Rally was held with 10 churches represented and 75 attendance. We feel that much good was accomplished during the week.—Mrs. W. W. Kyzar, Supt.

The Protestant Film Commission will sponsor the production of seven 16-mm motion pictures, according to Paul F. Heard, executive secretary, "to stimulate the average church-goer to more creative Christian living, to promote Christian education by portraying the basic values of religion in an atomic era and emphasizing the moral values which play a part in family life."

Rev. J. C. Cammack, pastor, First Baptist Church, Smithfield, N. C., says, "We must give away our religion or give it up."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

February 9, 1947

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Summit	121	87
Jackson, Calvary	1,236	285
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone St. Mission	1,299	356
Jackson, Northside	237	89
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	463	286
Daniel, Hinas County	205	65
Van Winkle,		
Hinds County	210	115
New Albany	476	194
Laurel, Beacon	214	55
Laurel, First	540	118
Lumberton	165	()
Darling	31	
Providence, Forrest County	121	61
Batesville	152	53
O'Tuckolofa, Calcasieu		
County	24	
Hattiesburg, First		71
Tupelo, Harrisburg	255	101
Picayune, First	359	111
Center, Union County	53	37
Cherry Creek,		
Pontotoc County	43	
Brookhaven, First	613	125
Hattiesburg, Main Street	677	257
Pascagoula, First	551	118
West Corinth	175	117
Wellman, Lincoln County	40	52
Chalybeate	50	32
Zion,		
Pontotoc County	37	
Crystal Springs	496	175
Cross Roads,		
Webster County	44	
Byram, Hinds County	61	41
West Laurel	347	97
Pisgah, Rankin County	60	
East McComb	327	180
Ellison Ridge,		
Winston County	92	52
February 2, 1947		
O'Tuckolofa,		
Yalobusha County	68	
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	55	
Pisgah, Rankin County	67	
West Corinth	177	135
Bear Creek,		
Attala County	48	
Brooklyn	84	56
West Point	441	105
Cross Roads,		
Webster County	39	
Antioch, Lawrence County	23	
Chalybeate	56	53
Providence, Tippah County	40	
Lumberton	155	77
Cherry Creek,		
Pontotoc County	53	
Rocky Creek		
George County	131	116
Picayune, First	389	111
New Hope,		
Yalobusha County	26	20
Laurel, Beacon	250	103
Houlka, Chickasaw County	86	33
Harmony, Tippah County	60	
Chester	69	
Tupelo, Harrisburg	263	111
Booneville	240	94
Lucedale	231	73

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The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering has reached \$1,204,017.75.

After conferring with Dr. W. O. Lewis, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, Dr. Louie Newton reports definitely that the Baptist World Alliance will be in Copenhagen. Dr. Rushbrooke wrote Dr. Newton the day before his fatal stroke that moving the Alliance meeting from Copenhagen would be a great blow to European Baptists. It is hoped that shipping conditions will cease to allow a limited number of American Baptists to attend. A number have already made air reservation. The roundtrip fare from New York to Copenhagen is \$836.46, including tax. The American Airlines flight goes all the way to Copenhagen.

Caudill Describes Colombian Mission

(Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of reports given by Dr. Paul Caudill of Memphis, Tenn., following a recent tour through South America.)

Breakfast in Miami. . . supper in Cartagena. Such was the schedule for the first day of my South American journey.

Upon reaching Barranquilla, I proceeded at once by taxi to Cartagena, some 80 miles southwest, where I was to be the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Riddell, who together with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Neely, Miss Ann Frances Todd and Miss Crea Ridenour carry on our work there. Cartagena is one of the most picturesque towns in South America. The city proper lies on a peninsula surrounded by an ancient wall 40 feet wide in places. The population, numbering more than 100,000, lives in houses with the lower windows barred in typical Spanish fashion. Though Baptist work in Cartagena is little more than four years old there are two organized churches and one mission supported by them. The Central Church, recently completed, is a beautiful edifice. The auditorium has a seating capacity of approximately 600 and there are some facilities for educational work. The church cost approximately 60,000 pesos, apart from the valuable tract of land on which it lies, and is located at the base of the ancient fort, San Felipe. It is in the center of a densely populated residential section of the city and is accessible to every important bus line. We preached to a splendid congregation here at the mid-week service. The deep interest of the people in the work of their church was manifest and it is evident that Central Baptist is destined to be an important factor in the future life of Colombian Baptists. We preached at the school of the Alcibia mission where two precious girls accepted Christ as their Saviour—our first converts on foreign soil.

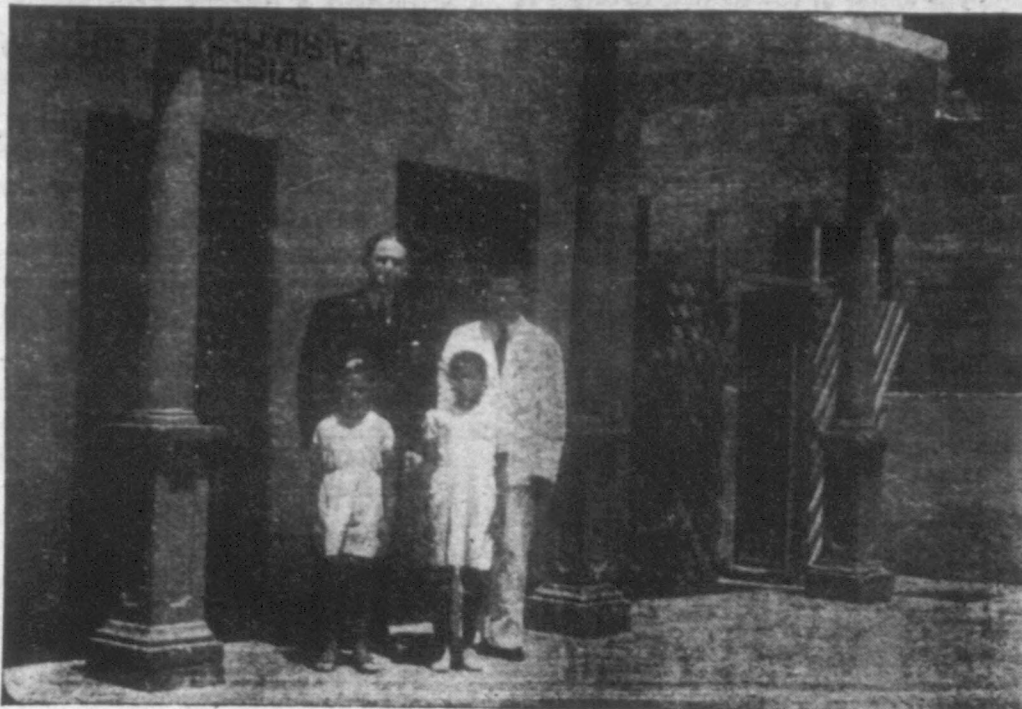
Baptists No Problem

Thursday morning we visited Senior Alfonso Romero Auirre, president of the General Assembly of Colombia, and Senior Senen Gonzalez Guerra, *el gobernador del departamento de Bolivar*. The purpose of our visit was to ascertain the attitude of national leaders toward our Baptist work in Cartagena. I wanted to know if Southern Baptist efforts in Colombia had created any problems for the government. Both of these statesmen were found to be cordial, gracious, and wholly uncritical of our missionaries and their work.

Thursday evening I preached at the Alcibia church, along with the pastor. After the service a man came forward and said, "Your sermon led me to Christ. I will begin to pray for you now that God will accompany you and make you an even greater preacher than you are now and I know God will hear our prayer."

On Friday morning, July 19, Brother Riddell and I took a bus for Sabanalarga, en route to Cartagena. There we had lunch with Brother Ramirez, pastor of the local Baptist mission, and preached to a group of his people.

The work in Sabanalarga has undergone no little opposition at the hands of those who oppose the work of evangelicals. At one time the building where services were being held was pelted with stones. Nevertheless, the work has grown steadily under the leadership of the aggressive pastor



Dr. R. Paul Caudill standing with pastor of the Alcibia Baptist Church, Cartagena, Columbia, South America. The two little girls are Dr. Caudill's first two converts on foreign soil.

and we witnessed the baptism of seven of his converts that evening in Barranquilla. Friday night in Barranquilla I preached at the Central Baptist Church of which Brother Schweinsberg is pastor. At the close of the sermon a young man surrendered for the ministry and a little girl professed faith in Christ. Another young man who had given his life for Christian service came forward to re-affirm his purpose to preach the gospel.

Saturday, July 20, we went to Rebol where we preached in the chapel and had a glorious harvest of souls—six girls and four boys. It was one of the happiest moments of my life to see the ten take their stand, publicly, for Christ.

Sunday morning I preached twice at the Central Church—first to a general assembly of the Sunday school. There we had a modern pentecost. Ten souls came forward confessing Christ as Saviour and Lord—many of them adults—and ten others laid their lives on the altar for definite Christian service. Never have I been more conscious of the presence of the Holy Spirit than in that service. Brother Schweinsberg remarked that people had come forward for whom they had long prayed. It was a glorious sight to behold them standing there about the altar—twenty in all—with bowed heads.

Ten Churches

Although the work in Colombia is the youngest of all our mission fields in South America—save Paraguay—there are now ten churches with a membership of approximately 2,500. This number however, includes the enrollment of those in the Baptist work of San Andrews Island which is more than a century old. Barranquilla has two organized churches both with good buildings, though small. There is also a mission supported by the Central Church that has physical equipment amounting to more than \$15,000 and that promises soon to be another church.

The Colombian mission is committed to the policy of building churches supported by their own members and led by native Colombians. As proof of the wisdom of this policy two of the churches are already self supporting and there are two more that are on the verge of self support. A work in Cali, principal city on the west coast has been recently opened. In the future, we understand, Cali may be the seat of the Colombian mission with a

Seminary to serve Colombia, Venezuela and Ecuador.

The program carried on by each of these stations is quite similar to that of the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention. They have Sunday schools, Training Unions and W.M.U. organizations. Each Sunday a 30 minute radio program is sponsored by the churches of Barranquilla. The Baptists also produce a journal entitled "Heraldo Bautista" with a circulation of 5,000 and Colombian Baptists are looking forward to the organization of the Colombian Baptist Convention. One of the greatest blessings that has come to Colombian mission work has

MEMPHIS, Tenn., —(RNS)— More than 40,000 students are enrolled in educational institutions of Southern Baptists, Dr. Charles D. Johnson of Waco, ex., chairman, told the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Education Commission here. This figure is almost double the 22,000 students reported by the 60 institutions only 10 years ago Dr. Johnson declared. Endowment of the 60 schools—including academies, junior colleges, senior colleges, universities and seminaries—has increased from \$22,000,000 to \$36,000,000 in the same 10-year period, he said. The schools are located in 18 states.

been the helpfulness of Maxey Jarman, who has given funds toward the erection of the buildings. The Foreign Mission Board has sought to enter Colombia with a more adequate missionary force and a larger expenditure of funds than in previous beginnings so that the maximum progress might be made in the shortest possible time.

The people in Colombia are responsive to the gospel. They are intelligent and enthusiastic workers when converted. They have strong convictions on Christian doctrines and follow intelligently the leadership of the Holy Spirit. In truth, the opportunities in Colombia for evangelical missions are almost unlimited. Sin may have a grip on the people as it has on people in our own land, but the gospel has already demonstrated its power to break that grip. The greatest needs in Colombia today, says Missionary Riddell, are "native workers to shoulder a part of the burden: prepared, zealous missionaries to enter every city and sufficient funds to guarantee the expansion of our work".

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TERRY'S INSPIRING STORY

Rev. Thurman Booth, pastor of the Terry Baptist Church, was asked to give a report of the Terry Brotherhood for our column. We are happy to present this excellent report just as received from Pastor Booth.

Organized A Year Ago

"Our Brotherhood was organized a little over a year ago. We had seventeen members at the beginning of the organization; today we have fifty-two enrolled. There have been constant growth and enlistment.

"We have had many interesting social affairs, but our ultimate goal is to promote the kingdom of God through the men of our church.

Meet Twice Monthly

"We have two meetings a month and at the close of each meeting we have a fellowship hour down in the church basement. We vary our programs, using the Brotherhood Journal only part of the time. We sometimes have a debate; at other times we have a guest speaker. One night last summer we had a recreation program on the church grounds under lights. After a devotional period and business session, we had games for all ages. Our recent social spotlight was a Sweetheart Banquet, which was planned, prepared and served by the Brotherhood. We had seventy-five people present and had a wonderful time!

Will Hold Laymen's Revival

"More important than our basketball team, banquets and parties is this: The Brotherhood will conduct a Laymen's Revival, beginning April 6. Dr. D. M. Nelson, President of Mississippi College, will be the guest speaker; and we are hunting a layman to lead the singing. This revival will be entirely in the hands of undisciplined men.

Sponsor Definite Tasks

"Secondly, our Brotherhood has taken over the fourth Sunday afternoon visitation program in our church. Their first Sunday afternoon was on January 26; and we saw results that night.

"Third, we plan this summer to hold open air brush arbor revivals in all unchurched communities surrounding our town.

"Fourth, our Brotherhood is interested in furnishing transportation to those who need it to get to church.

Music Program Planned

"Our meeting Thursday night, February 6, was a men's music program. The men's Chorus from Northside Church, Jackson, the men's chorus from Osyka Church, our State Music Secretary, Luther Harrison, and several other visitors will be with us."

Secretary's Word

Brother Booth and the Terry men have caught the idea of the Brotherhood. This is a better description of a Brotherhood at work than anything that could be written from a denominational office!

NEW MEMBERS

Magee's Creek, Walthall, Rev. A. J. Chandler (Clinton), pastor. Homer Holmes is president, address Kokomo, R. F. D. Vice-Presidents are Ray Magee, Jesse Magee, and Willard Bennett. The secretary-treasurer is Vernon Rhymes. They had twenty charter members.

First, Aberdeen, Rev. C. W. Thompson, pastor. The president is George

Howell. Vice-presidents are I. C. Harrington, L. G. Smith, and Jack Jones. The secretary-treasurer is Dr. B. L. Martin. All addresses Aberdeen.

LINN REPORTS

Linn Church, Rev. Curtis Askew, pastor, sends in this interesting story: "On the night of January 13, the ladies of the Linn Church served supper in the educational building honoring the men of the church. Rev. J. H. Street was our invited guest for the occasion. Other visitors were J. Wesley Miller, Rolling Fork, president of District Two (Delta) Brotherhood, Dr. Van Hardin, pastor of the Rolling Fork Church, and four deacons of the Roundaway Church and their pastor, Rev. E. W. Bryan.

A sweet spirit of fellowship and cooperation prevailed as the ladies opened well-filled baskets and served a chicken supper, with all the "fixins". After the supper, the men went into the church auditorium and were inspired as Brother Street spoke to them about the Brotherhood and what such an organization can do for the members and the church work. The men voted to form a Brotherhood organization.

On Sunday afternoon, January 19, eighteen men met and completed a Brotherhood organization. (The officers of this Brotherhood were reported in the Baptist Record of January 30. —JHS). Meetings will be held at the church on second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. In this forward step we hope to further advance the cause of Christ in our community."

HEADRICK SPEAKS AT BATON ROUGE

Horace Headrick, president of District Seven Brotherhood, Laurel, spoke in a Laymen's Revival in the First Baptist Church, Baton Rouge on February 10.

EAST MCCOMB WILL HAVE LAYMEN'S REVIVAL

President Theo Holmes reports that the East McComb Brotherhood will sponsor a Laymen's Revival February 16-21. We join these good people in prayer that the Lord may richly bless their efforts. Rev. E. C. Edwards is the new pastor of this progressive church.

QUITMAN MEN CONDUCT CENSUS

Rev. W. L. Meadows states that the Brotherhood of the First Church, Quitman, had complete charge of planning and conducting a religious census of the Quitman area. They were assisted by the good ladies of the church but the men assumed the responsibility for the management and most of the work of the census. Pastor Meadows reports that he was greatly impressed as the teams returned to the church to give their reports. The men had their eyes opened and their hearts touched as they got a closer look at the fields that are white unto harvest.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., —(RNS)— Senator Arthur Capper (R-Kan.) has introduced a joint resolution (S. J. Res. 36) to provide for use of the words, "observe Sunday," in the cancellation of U. S. mail by the postoffice department. The bill, referred to the Senate committee on civil service, is similar to one introduced by Capper in the 79th Congress. If the bill were passed, the words, "observe Sunday," would appear on every letter mailed in the nation.

THE PROGRAM OF JESUS, AND A MINISTRY OF PHYSICAL HELPFULNESS

"One day the ambulance drew up to our hospital and brought us a young lady, who had taken ill in our city. We knew from the careful way they handled her that she must be dreadfully sick. One of our senior nurses was assigned to her case. She soon found that Infantile Paralysis had taken its toll on her life. She was such a little sprite, didn't weight more than a hundred pounds and her entire body was encased in a leather and steel jacket, or brace. She could not walk except with her crutches. While she was soliciting business in our city, the same old dread disease of Osteomyelitis took hold of her again, and again her wounds begun to drain. She suffered such intense pain, yet she was so patient and uncomplaining that she soon won the admiration and sympathy of the entire hospital family and each one tried to do all they could for her to make her stay in the hospital as pleasant as it could be.

She was given tracts and the Gospels to read and the girls told her how they remembered her in their early prayer service each morning.

When she was discharged and ready to go home, she sent for the superintendent. She said, 'I wanted to tell you what your hospital has meant to me.' She said, 'I've always been a good girl though I haven't taken much stock in religion, I've been sick so much, but the Christian influence and sympathy of all who have nursed me here has changed my life entirely and I am going home to serve my Master in a greater way than I had ever thought of before.' She said, 'I have heard the story of the 'Good Samaritan' but I never dreamed that I would have to come all the way to Jackson and to a hospital to find it exemplified in my own life. My stay with you has taught me that 'God does supply all our needs when we let Him have His way with our lives.'

God bless christian nurses and doctors wherever they are serving that they may win many souls for Christ.

—Mrs. K. Gilfooy

Support the Mississippi Baptist Hospital through the Co-operative Program. It receives during 1947 8 1-2% of Co-operative Program funds.

The Baptist Record is thankful for the many responses to a request for a "tonic" for Editor Goodrich. One of the latest "tonics" came from Roy Simmons of Lawrence Church, in the form of a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions.

Dr. W. E. Greene, president of Clarke College in Newton has been selected as the guest evangelist at Beacon church in Laurel, March 9-19. Rev. H. L. Courtney is pastor.

The Training Union Magazine for February contains an article by Cynthia Jo Hall, Montgomery, Alabama, who graduated from Blue Mountain in 1942. The subject of the article is "Building Better Programs."

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Feb. 5— Betty Chong, member of the freshman class at Blue Mountain College, has been named freshman representative on the Baptist Student Union Council. Miss Chong lives in Honolulu, T. H.

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CHAPTER XI (Continued)

A Baptist on The Witness Stand

"I think not, as long as he occupies that position. But of course he can follow his own convictions. If, however, he should ask my opinion, I would tell him I think he is living in disorderly fashion. He believes that immersion only is the Scriptural baptism, otherwise he would not have sought immersion when the prevailing mode in the Methodist church is sprinkling. Believing thus about baptism he yet throws his membership with a church that seeks to put another form of baptism in the place of the Scriptural baptism. I think that is wrong. He is a Baptist by conviction, and yet for social or other reasons he joins a church of a different faith. Why does he not join the church of his own faith? Besides, in joining that church he is linking himself with an organization that teaches and practices not only sprinkling in the place of immersion, but also infant baptism. I would have to say to such a person, if he should ask my opinion, 'Sir, I think your first duty is not to go to the communion, but to get the matter of your church relationship straightened out.'"

"But suppose he should say he believed in infant baptism and therefore could not join the Baptist church? Suppose he should say he believed in all the other doctrines of the Methodist church except their view of sprinkling, and that even on the point of baptism the Methodists believed in immersion as one form of baptism, else they would not have immersed him. What would you say to him then? There you would have a person Scripturally baptized and joining the church that came nearest to his convictions, and now do you say that such a person ought to keep away from the communion?"

"Mr. Sterling, I think that is an impossible case. In the first place, how could that person believe in infant baptism if he believed in immersion? Infant baptism is only by sprinkling. Could that person endorse the sprinkling of infants? I doubt whether you will find a person believing that only immersion is baptism and yet believing that infant baptism is Scriptural. But granting this, you ask if that person ought to keep away from the table. I answer that if that person thinks his position is correct, and he desires to commune, let him take the responsibility. I think he is violating the Scripture. I do not believe the apostles would have advised such a person going to the communion. I think they would have instructed him on the subject of infant baptism and any other important Bible doctrines that the person was neglecting, and they would have sought to set him right on these before advising him to go to the communion, and if he had refused to follow the Scripture, even though he was sincere in his action, I do not believe the apostles would have countenanced his partaking of the communion. That is simply my view of it. The responsibility rests with him, and he must follow his conscience; only let him be sure that he studied the Bible teaching on the point as thoroughly as possible. I certainly would not invite such a person to our table, because if such a person were a member of my church and should accept and practice the infant baptism and give his influence to propagating that and the other doctrines of the Methodists, he would have to be excluded from our membership; and if such a

person would have to be excluded from our membership he surely could not be invited to our communion table. There would be no consistency in that."

"That seems plain," said Mr. Page, who had been a silent, interested listener.

"This is what we believe on the subject, but, as I said a moment ago, we do not force our views on others. They are generally brought up against us. They attack us about our close communion and thus compel us to state our views as to the communion. People know that we have positive convictions about the relation between baptism and the Lord's Supper, and yet they seem horrified if we stand by these convictions and follow them to their logical conclusion."

"Well, well," said Dorothy, "I think this abuse of the Baptists is much ado about nothing. I do not see how the Baptists could occupy any other position than they do about the communion as long as they believe as they do about baptism."

"Mr. Walton, what about myself?" asked Mr. Garland. "Would you permit me to commune at your table?"

"Permit you? Mr. Garland, I have stated that we do not turn anybody away."

"Exactly. But you make it plain whom you want and it amounts to a prohibition. Nobody wants to go where he is not wanted. But tell me, do you think I have taken the necessary steps before communion? I have accepted Christ as my Savior, I have been immersed and am a member of a church that believes in immersion as the only baptism and that does not believe in infant baptism. These are the same doctrines as those held by the Baptists. Would you therefore say that I am qualified to come to the table?"

"I have always understood, Mr. Garland, that your view of baptism was not the same as ours; that you regard baptism as a necessary part of conversion, and in that respect we think you have made a mistake regarding baptism. Scriptural baptism is one of the steps laid down to be taken before the communion, and consequently I think you have not taken that particular step. Those who partook of the communion in Christ's day were baptized because they had believed and were already saved, but you have been baptized in order to be saved. Yours is a different kind of baptism from the Bible baptism."

"Ah, that is a mistake very frequently made. There is something else in baptism besides the form. There must be the right motive as well as the right mode. I think that when you go down into the water, not that you may typify your death to your old life and your rising to a new life—a change that has already taken place within you—but in order that in some way your baptism may complete your salvation, you rob baptism of its chief glory. It is not the same baptism that Christ commanded. He did not go down into the water in order to be saved nor in order that it might work any change in him, but simply to show forth certain truths and to fulfill all righteousness."

"I don't believe you have answered my question," said Mr. Garland. "Do you think I am entitled to partake of the communion?"

"I am not your judge, but if you ask my opinion I am bound to say that I do not think your baptism was after the Scriptural order—that is, if in

your baptism you regarded it as completing your salvation."

"But do you think I have a right to commune?"

"You must follow your conscience on that point."

"Would you yourself commune with the Disciples, Mr. Walton?" asked Sterling.

"Why ask such a question, Mr. Sterling? Why should I go to their church to commune with them? I have my own church in which to commune."

"I know, but suppose that while visiting in a community you attended service at a Disciple church, and they had the communion and the elements were passed around. Would you partake of the supper there?"

"I have never been placed in such a position."

"What would you do, Mr. Walton?"

"There are many who claim that my communing with you would endorse not only your act in communing, but also your baptism as you teach and practice it. If my act would be a practical endorsement of your communion and your baptism, then I certainly ought not and would not join with you."

"I think you would endorse them," said Dorothy, "if you should sit with them and commune with them."

"I think not," said Mr. Garland. "Each one would be acting for himself and your act would not be misunderstood."

"Why should he commune with them?" asked Dorothy. "Must not a person always have a reason for communing? Must he commune every time he may see the table spread before him in any church? If Mr. Walton should retire from the communion in the Disciple church, or simply should not take the supper, the people would understand that he differed from them as to the Scriptural steps required before communion, and it is a person's duty to let his beliefs about Bible teaching be known."

"No, the people generally would not understand Mr. Walton's act in that way," said Sterling, "but would simply think Mr. Walton thought himself too good to commune with them, and this would have a bad effect, and this is the harm of close communion. None of us are perfect, Mr. Walton. We Presbyterians may fall short in some particulars; the Baptists also may not hit the mark at every point. Why not recognize this, and with charity for each other come together around the table of the Lord and avoid making such unbrotherly distinctions?"

"Mr. Sterling," said Dorothy, "that does not appeal to me at all. If a thing is right is it right, and I do not believe we will gain anything by putting that aside just to come together. If I believe that the Disciples' baptism is not the Bible baptism I do not know of any better way I could say that to them than by not joining with them in their communion. I should think that such loyalty to conviction would do no harm and oftentimes might do good."

"Is it not a fact, Mr. Garland, that the different denominations very rarely commune with each other?" asked Mr. Walton.

"You are correct," said Mr. Garland. "Although we practice open communion, it is the rarest thing in the world for a member of another denomination to commune with us or for any of our members to commune in the church of any other denomination."

(Continued next week)

They Said....

(Heard at the Cooperative Program Promotion Meeting at Jackson Feb. 3)

D. Swan Hayworth, introducing Dr. Leavell: "The world, the flesh and the Leavells."

Scotchie McCall: "Mississippi Baptists mean business for Christ"

Roland Leavell: "We are grateful the Southern Baptists have become conscious of our seminaries needs."

Kathleen Mallory: "If you can multiply digits by two you can certainly multiply determination by the same number"

Duke K. McCall: "This co-operative program is not an end but an entrance; not a terminal but a thoroughfare; not a goal but a gateway."

W. A. Hewitt (in a humorous vein): "Every preacher ought to begin in a country pastorate and some of them ought to stay there."

J. B. Lawrence: "We have not cashed in on our resources as Christians"

J. W. Merritt: "This IS state missions in action" as he looked at that crowd.

Roland Q. Leavell: "One million tithers will be a great spiritual victory"

Kathleen Mallory: "One of the nicest things about Christianity — it doesn't make you do anything—it constrains you"

Duke K. McCall: "The co-operative program is the channel to carry out the Commission of Christ"

J. B. Lawrence: "The world is still in God's hands in spite of the atomic age"

J. W. Merritt: "State Missions is the foundation"

Duke McCall: "What time is it for Christians?"

J. B. Lawrence: "It's later than we think!"

W. A. Hewitt: "Lawrence, the dynamo of the Home Mission Board"

A layman: "Boy, that was something."

A pastor: "We came to listen and heard plenty"

A woman: "Wasn't Miss Mallory's hat pretty?"

A southwide leader: "Scotchie did it again"

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Collins First Gains In 1946

The First Baptist church at Collins enjoyed a fine year in 1946, with finances reaching almost \$5,000 beyond the budget, and a general increase in interest throughout the church. Efforts of some of the returned veterans are being felt in the progress of the church. Robert Flanagan is serving as clerk and Billy Canfield as treasurer. Recently elected trustees are L. M. McLaurin and Garvin Rogers. Hugh James is chairman of the deacons. Mrs. Mack Jones serves as the president of the W.M.U.

Leaders of the G. A. are Mrs. E. A. Barnes and Mrs. H. H. Strahan, while Sunbeams are led by Mrs. Mack Jones, Mrs. Hugh James and Mrs. H. Bullock. An outstanding feature of the church is the junior choir directed by the talented pastor's wife, which furnishes special music at the evening services. Anna Estes McRaney is pianist and Jo Ann Jordan is her assistant.

Pastor Mack Jones and the people are happy in the growth of the building fund with which much needed space will be added when conditions permit.



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MORE POTPOURRI GIVEN

Haven't caught up all the loose ends yet so here's some more B.S.U. potpourri. I shall begin at the very top of the pile of papers, et cetera, here on my desk, said papers representing the things I want to mention in this column. . . A good tract to be used in endeavoring to get students to join the local church is, "If You Are A Baptist Why Not Belong?" by Wm. D. Wyatt and published by the Home Mission Board, Atlanta. . . Have you heard about the moron who ran around his bed to catch up with his sleep? . . . From the story of the Waco Youth Revival, "The Waco Youth Revival was born in the prayers of a group of young Baylor students" . . . Both Protestant and Catholic leaders have denounced the treatment of religious concepts in the new Hollywood picture, "Duel In The Sun" . . . The Foreign Mission Board plans to appoint 100 missionaries in 1947, to bring the total to 625. . . I have received a good many application blanks for Summer Mission Work under our Home Mission Board this summer. Write for one. . .

Against Liquor

Heartening word is it that twenty-nine coaches and athletic directors at leading colleges in the U.S. recently signed a statement denouncing the use of alcoholic beverages. Among them, Allyn McKeen, Mississippi State; Dana Bible, U. of Tex.; Bernie Bierman, U. of Minn.; Wallace Butts, U. of Ga. . . Nine institutions with an enrollment of nearly 15,000 are maintained for Negroes by the Episcopal Church. . . More than 1,000 missionaries have recently sailed for the Orient from various denominations. . . There is one church building for each 550 persons in the United States, 15 times as many churches as motion picture houses, and there are 55,000,000 seats in American churches as compared to 10,500,000 movie seats. . . It is estimated that 266,000 additional doctors are needed NOW in China. . . Religious Emphasis Week at Mississippi State includes a concert by the College Glee Club, a seminar on "preparation for Marriage and Family Life", dormitory discussions, a forum on "Religion in Everyday Life", a symposium on "The Negro and Socio-Economic Progress in the South", and a symposium on "Basic Tenets of the Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish Faiths." The Y.M.C.A., Ernest Price, Secretary, is sponsoring the event. . . Ben Seitz, doing part-time student work at Miss., State, is likewise doing good work in the Starkville church by holding "Junior Church" every Sunday morning for the young boys and girls. They have their own church bulletin and the boys and girls are being given invaluable training in their participation in the services. . .

Parker, Benton Commended

At this point I should like to express my appreciation for the great ministries of Brother James B. Parker, who is visiting the sick of mind, body and spirit, and Brother B. H. Benton, who is almost continuously in a revival meeting somewhere in Mississippi. Every phase of Mississippi Baptist work is important and needed, but no other

work exceeds these two in need and importance. I have thought often that Jesus' ministry was essentially one of preaching and of comforting, bringing solace, to those who suffered in one way or another. These brethren are carrying on the work of Christ in practice, are they not? . . . Did you know that the Foreign Mission Board looks to B.S.U. almost exclusively for new missionaries? Dare one minimize the importance of our work, then? . . . Dolly: Surely you're not going to let that redhead steal your boy friend. Polly: Never! I'll dye first. . . Brother Luther A. Harrison, our State Music Secretary, Box 530, Jackson, offers his services to any campus or college church. Write him. You'll certainly find him very graciously Christian and therefore helpful in his ministry. . . Here's some hot news: Mississippi's quota for Student Week at Ridgecrest is 200. . . Am compiling info on our Miss., Negro Colleges. Write me if you need such info. . . A group of ladies from First Church, Jackson, are doing some very fine mission work in our city. Mrs. Webb Overstreet, Jr., is their leader. Already, several have been won to Christ down there. I was greatly blessed by seeing this mission in action recently. . . Our State Council, meeting recently here, had a very beneficial discussion of Spring Retreat plans, the need for additional BSU Secretaries, Negro Work, the campaign for more Baptist Record readers among our students, Ridgecrest, Summer Work, Youth Revivals, the MSCW Student Center Campaign, and miscellaneous matters. . . Brother C. S. Moulder and his group of Miss. Southern Ministerial students are holding some fine week-end revivals, as I've mentioned before. Appreciated Bro. McCall's reference to this work in last week's Record. . . The Cooperative Program Promotional Meeting on Feb. 3rd was a glorious meeting. Surely Mississippi Baptists, as our great leader says, are on the march! . . . Recently heard with many the soul-stirring message of Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., at Jackson Youth for Christ. Harold Jordan, YFC leader here, is doing great work for our Lord. . . Dr. Nelson, Dean Sumrall, Orba Lee Malone and others were very gracious during a recent visit to Miss., College. Bro. J. B. Parker took me with him. Both of us marvelled at the progress which has been made in the building program out there. With approximately 1,000 students and with this large expansion, Miss. College, as Dr. Nelson says, is no longer a small college. If you have an extra idle \$100,000 in an old sock hid behind a brick in the chimney, and want to give all or part of it to a cause which will help to better our battered world, give it to Miss. College. . . Speaking of Miss. College, I, among all the team members, am looking forward to their Religious Focus Week next week. The team includes: Miss Frances Barbour, of the Student Department, Nashville; Joe Boyd, Pastor, Ohio Street Baptist Church, Dallas; Dr. J. M. Dawson, of Washington, D. C.; W. F. Howard, Texas BSU Secretary; Reiji Hoshizaki, Japanese student, Southern Seminary, Louisville; Dr.

Changes Among The Churches

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.
CALLED AND ACCEPTED

R. E. Brown, Central Church, Virginia from Bethlehem.
Clyde Lipscomb, Weber Memorial, Richmond, Virginia from Chaplaincy.
Paul Weber, Trinity, Paducah, Kentucky.
W. George Bond, Boone, North Carolina from Erlanger, Kentucky.
William N. Gardner, Hollywood, Florida, from Chaplaincy and Jackson, Miss.
W. I. Lee, McCamey, Texas, from Odem.
Lewis H. Platt, Henly, Texas.
L. G. Markwood, Wemberly, Texas.
E. W. Mahler, Garfield, Texas from Yoakum.
Walter R. Clark, Austonia, Texas from Pearland.
V. E. Temple, Mirando City, Texas.
Lee Davis, Boerne, Texas.
Roger D. Hebard, Denton, Texas from Harlington.
Joe D. Sallis, Plum Grove Church, Cleveland, Texas from Houston.
R. R. Davidge, Douglas, Texas.
J. R. Webb, Winona, Texas from Karnack.
Jack V. Tesh, Tabernacle, Newport News, Virginia.
J. D. Foster, Trinity Church, Norman, Texas from Chaplaincy.
John T. Bishop, First, Salina, Texas from Osage.
Gerald Walker, Alpine, Alabama.
H. M. (Mack) Johnson, Bon Air, Alabama.
F. W. Tomberlin, Childersburg, Alabama.
Thomas E. Cozert, Empire, Alabama.
J. Homer Philpot, Garner, Texas.
Clarence Howell, Hemphill, Texas from Kress.
Earl Allen, Seagraves, Texas from Archer City.
D. J. Montgomery, Cousins, Texas.
O. G. Matthew, Calvary, New Braunfels, Texas.
James F. Cole, Bruceville, Texas.
E. Howard Waters, Broadway, Dallas, Texas.
H. L. Devaney, Bruni, Texas from Laryar.
R. G. Short, Cedar Grove, North Carolina from Piney Grove Church.
L. L. Beitz, First, Earlsboro, Okla.
Arthur R. Green, Arlington, Florida.
Frank L. Tuttle, Port Orange, Florida from Oxford, Florida.
J. W. Bland, Hinesville, Georgia.
W. M. Averett, Hayward, Calif., from Farmersville, La.
G. E. Dupree, Mt. Sini, Colquitt county, Georgia.

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Home Life Added At Cherry Creek

The Cherry Creek Baptist church in Pontotoc county has voted to use the Baptist Record's every family plan for the new magazine "Home Life." The church liked the Record's idea so well they have duplicated it for the monthly magazine. The Sunday school is growing, and the building fund with which to erect needed rooms is increasing each week, so that when building conditions permit, construction may begin.

Dr. W. C. Tyler of Blue Mountain is pastor of this church.

Frank Leavell, Southwide BSU Secretary; Dr. M. Ray McKay, pastor, Second Baptist Church, Little Rock; Dr. Bill Marshall, Personnel Secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; Dr. Courts Redford, Asst. Executive Secretary, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, and Dr. A. E. Tibbs, Professor of Sociology and Education, New Orleans Seminary.



REV. M. GLENN SMITH

GLENN SMITH ACCEPTS FRIENDSHIP PASTORATE

M. Glenn Smith, who recently resigned the DeKalb Baptist Church, has accepted the call of Friendship Baptist Church, one of the state's outstanding country pastorates.

Progress marked the DeKalb pastorate during Brother Smith's pastorate. The church went from half-time to full time; receipts for the year far exceeded the planned budget; a church library was started and now has approximately 300 volumes; new Broadman hymnals purchased; a church office established and equipped. During the twelve months in DeKalb 41 additions were noted, 20 by baptism and 21 by letter.

At Friendship the Smiths were welcomed by rain, a capacity congregation, a fine table of good food and a newly renovated parsonage, not to mention a well stocked pantry. Brother Smith writes: "If this is a sample of what they will do, things are ready to go."

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Blue Mountain Group Visits Rust College

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Feb. 5—A group of Blue Mountain College girls visited Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi, a negro institution, twice last month for the purpose of helping the students organize a Baptist Student Union work with demonstration meetings. C. E. Grinstead, a negro from Nashville, Tennessee, is expected to follow up the work Blue Mountain girls began with a study course on methods at Rust College.

Blue Mountain students who cooperated in this work are: Corrine Griffin, Laurel; Blanche Ellen Darr, Clinton, S. C.; Betty Hubbard, Bonita; Jimmie McKenzie, Greenwood; Allene Sugg, Bellefontaine; Mary Julia Sudduth, McAdams; Lennie Powell, Mobile, Ala.; Mary Murphy, Memphis; Dorothy Louise Smith, Memphis; Tommie Nelson, Birmingham; Barbara Ely, Itta Bena; Ruth Sterling, Jackson; Dorothy Harris, Memphis; Bessie Mae Evers, Jackson; Martha Brown, Louisville, Ky.; Charla Walters, Laurel; Sue McGinty, River View, Ala.; Louise Mosely, Blue Mountain; Helen Bolt, Student Secretary at Blue Mountain College; Eddie Gunter, Sallis; Norma Jean John, Jefferson City, Missouri; Lois Philpot, Holly Springs; and Jane Ray Bean, Louisville, Kentucky.

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New members of the Student Government Council at Blue Mountain College have been elected. They are as follows: Cleo Tumblin, Laurens, S. C., freshman class representative; Geraldine Lackey, Calhoun City, junior class representative; Doris Dempsey, Waltham, Mass., house presidents representative.

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MARION ASSOCIATION REPORTS SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN

Eleven churches in Marion Association cooperated in a simultaneous study course the week of January 26-31. On Sunday afternoon the 26th representatives from the various churches met for a rally in Columbia which started the weeks work off in a fine way. Eight of the churches had an invited worker from outside the association, and reports from these workers are to the effect that it was a most helpful weeks work. Oloh led in attendance with an increase each night, starting Monday night with 55 (nearly all the deacons were present). Tuesday night they had 65 and Wednesday night the attendance went to 78 with more than half having kept up the daily Bible readings. The attendance and interest in the other churches were quite satisfactory also, room does not allow a report from all. Brother T. E. Davis, the associational director spent the week visiting the different churches each evening, thus showing his interest and concern. Interested pastors and other leaders were on the job in each church, thus guaranteeing the success of the weeks work. And this was in JANUARY with not too good weather during the week.

PEARL RIVER CONDUCTS TWIN LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

Picayune and Poplarville combined their interests and were host to the other churches in Pearl River Association last week in a leadership school with additional teachers in the Picayune school. Mrs. Day from the Book Store in Jackson, and several pastors in Pearl River Association with the three workers from the Training Union Department made up the faculty there. The attendance averaged about 200 and all concerned feel that it was a week of splendid achievements. Pastors Estes of Picayune, and Chastain of Poplarville, along with Associational Director Mrs. Cowart were well pleased with the results. September 1-5 has been set aside for a simultaneous enlargement campaign in this good association. Plans are to have all of the 28 churches cooperating in this campaign.

Next week we will be in Jones Co., for a Leadership School. Five workers from the Training Union Department will make up the faculty. The work will be at First Laurel. We hope to have a good report for you from this School soon. Pray with us for the victory.

You might want these for your library:

Verities of the Gospel. Arthor Zeno Wall, one time pastor at Clinton. This is a book of sermons, seventeen of them any one worth the price of the book \$1.50.

W. Eugene Sallee: Christ's Ambassador. A classic missionary biography. The life story of one of our great missionaries. Price \$2.25.

Faith is The Victory. A group of messages by seven great preachers, Ellis Arnall, R. Paul Caudill, W. Douglas Hudgins, H. H. Hobs, Harold W. Tribble, Brooks Hays, Duke K. McCall. Price \$1.50.

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giving up-to-the-minute information of all church organizations. Priced at 50c. All of these with all other individual and organizations needs for your church or organization to be ordered from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss.

ITS A "DARLING" TRAINING UNION

Yes, It's a "Darling" Training Union! That is the Darling Church has organized a Training Union and we appreciate a report of this progressive movement that comes to us from Mrs. David Merriman. In writing for 100 Bible Readers Leaflets she says "We are proud of our Union and our members are enthusiastic".

DISTRICT THREE OF HINDS-WARREN ASSOCIATIONAL TRAINING UNION MEETS

Raymond, Utica and Siwel were the three churches represented at the meeting held December 29 at Raymond Baptist Church. Brother H. A. Milner of Van Winkle Baptist Church spoke on "What B.T.U. has Meant to Me and My Church." The conference had open discussion on the Standard of Excellence and the Daily Bible Readings. Mr. W. C. Ward, Director of Group Three, appreciates the interest shown by the pastors. Rev. H. A. Milner, Rev. Owen Williams, Rev. R. A. Wallace and Rev. W. C. Graves were present at the meeting.

Mrs. C. W. McGehee
Reporter

A NEW CHURCH AT RENA LAURA

We are happy here to give in part an interesting letter received from Mrs. M. J. Dunn of Clarksdale: "There is a community in and around Rena Laura, about 12 miles west of Clarksdale, that has no church affiliation, so a layman, Mr. Clyde Reynolds from Clarksdale, went out and organized a church. They are now starting a fund for a new church building. At present they are having services in the community house. . . Mr. Reynolds asked me to go out and organize a Training Union. I am meeting with them every Sunday night and will until they are strong enough to go it alone. Last Sunday night we had 104 attendance at the Training Union." This is mighty fine mission work, and such could be done in many places in the state. One person who is willing to give the time necessary could start a mission and be the means of blessing many lives.

Alabama Baptists Establish Statewide Extension Training Program

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (RNS) — Hailed by Baptist leaders as the most forward step in 5 years for the denomination, a statewide extension training program for Baptist religious workers was under way with setting up of the first branch in Tusculumbia, Ala.

Headed by Dr. Gilbert L. Guffin, former pastor of the First Baptist church, Jasper, Ala., and sponsored by Howard College in Birmingham, the new extension department has been created to give training at the college level.

The training schools will aim at serving two groups, preachers who cannot attend college, and lay church workers. A small tuition fee will be charged, with scholarships offered in

A GOOD SOLDIER OF CHRIST JESUS by Dr. O. W. Yates and published by The Central Seminary Press, Kansas City, Kansas is an interpretation of First Timothy. Dr. Yates is peculiarly fitted to write this book because of his years of study and his rich experience as a teacher of the Bible. In this book he has put the gist of Paul's letter to Timothy down where it can be reached with very little effort. His explanations are sane and sensible and will prove profitable to his readers. The price is \$1.50.

special cases.

Courses will include Bible, church administration, preparation and delivery of sermons, evangelism, missions, Baptist doctrines, Baptist history and a basic course in English.

Pastors' Conference Meets Feb. 17 At Laurel First

Rev. W. R. Storie secretary of the South East Mississippi Pastor's Conference has announced the following program for Monday, February 17, beginning at 10:00 at First Church, Laurel.

10:00—Devotional, Rev. R. H. Daniel
10:10—Reports
10:55—Address, Dr. I. E. Rouse, President, Woman's College.
11:25—Special Music, West Laurel Church
11:30—Sermon, Dr. W. L. Holcomb
12:00—Lunch
1:15—Bible Study, Dr. J. W. Parrish
2:00—Miscellaneous
2:30—Adjourn

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MRS. RHEA G. SMITH

Mrs. Rhea G. Smith, superintendent, Junior department A, First Baptist church, Hattiesburg, will direct the Junior conferences at our State Sunday School Convention in the First Baptist Church of McComb, March 11-12.

Mrs. Smith is one of our most capable Junior workers and we are sure that many will want to take advantage of her splendid help at this Convention.

JANUARY STANDARDS

The following units became standard during January:

Schools: Marion, Rev. Carl E. Talbert, pastor, J. C. Morgan superintendent; Mendenhall, Rev. C. C. Jones, pastor, R. W. Barlow, superintendent; Pascagoula First, Dr. L. E. Green, pastor, G. W. Hall, superintendent; Aberdeen, Rev. C. W. Thompson, pastor, W. G. Bright, superintendent; Lucedale, Dr. Fred B. Moseley, pastor, T. S. Doty, superintendent; Improve, Rev. D. A. Hogan, pastor, R. L. McCullough, superintendent.

Departments: Nursery, Calvary Jackson, Department No. 7, Mrs. James B. Sullivan, Jr. superintendent; Beginner No. 1, Calvary Jackson, Mrs. J. R. Hayden, superintendent; Beginner, Kosciusko First, Mrs. H. T. Craft; Beginner, Louisville First, Miss Ida Wood; Primary, Hattiesburg First, Miss Sue Reynolds; Primary, Kosciusko First, Mrs. J. C. Davidson; Junior, Department A, Hattiesburg First, Mrs. Rhea G. Smith; Junior, Department B, Hattiesburg Main Street, Mrs. J. Stanley McPhail.

Classes: Intermediate — Morning Star, Jackson First, Mrs. W. F. Bond, teacher; Sunshine Scatterers, Philadelphia, Miss Margaret Crews; Champions, Itta Bena, Miss Willie D. Hallsell; Bible Readers, Hattiesburg Main Street, Mrs. B. E. Hudson; Friendship, Meridian 41st Avenue, Mrs. B. M. Shirley; 13 and 14 Year Girls, Vicksburg Bowmar Avenue, Mrs. Max Johnson; Rainbow Girls, Wesson, Mrs. E. G. Graham; Gideons, Jackson Southside, Mrs. Mae Vaughn; Moonbeams, Biloxi First, Miss Winona Latimer; Followers of Faith, Biloxi First, Edward Batson; Keystone, Biloxi First, Mrs. Daniel Danford; Rainbow Girls, Hattiesburg Main Street, Mrs. Edwin Madison; Victory, Itta Bena, Mrs. C. H. Murphey; Pilot, Jackson First, Mrs. W. B. Moore; Excelsior, Jackson First,

Mrs. J. H. Moss; Daughters of Ruth, Jackson First, Miss Gladys Clement.

Junior—Wide Awakes, Hattiesburg First, Miss Billie Jean Myers; Truth Seekers, Hattiesburg First, Miss Mellie Grantham; Bible Learners, Hattiesburg First, Mrs. J. A. McMichael; Shining Lights, Hattiesburg First, Mrs. J. W. Askew.

Young People—Hold That Line, Philadelphia, E. E. Givan.

Adult—Faithful Workers, Philadelphia, Mrs. D. D. Hopkins; Light Sharer, Philadelphia, Mrs. Morgan Beech; Sunshine, Jackson Calvary, Mrs. A. A. Duncan; Gleaners, Lambert, Mrs. Will Little; Berean, Aberdeen, Mrs. W. E. Hunter; Fedells, Hollandale, Mrs. J. F. Scull; Euzelian, Laurel Second Avenue, Mrs. L. D. Burkett; Golden Circle, Philadelphia, Mrs. E. E. Givan; T. E. L., Jackson Calvary, Mrs. J. N. Slaughter; Friendship, Rolling Fork, Mrs. Thomas Brand; Matron's Fidelis, McComb First, Mrs. W. F. Jackson.

We are indeed grateful to the leaders of all these schools, departments and classes for their good work in attaining standard recognition.

There are many others that should do likewise. Won't you please see that your application is properly filled out, signed and sent to us at an early date? Give your people the encouragement that comes from standard recognition. Application blanks will be gladly sent on request, also, other standard materials.

Remember, standard units are better!

MORE BIBLE STUDY

By T. L. Holcomb

Plans to extend the Bible teaching ministry of the Sunday school by arranging for a special Bible Study Week in the 26,000 Southern Baptist churches were made by the Sunday school secretaries representing the 19 states and the District of Columbia in their annual meeting held in Nashville, January 2-3, 1947.

"Much has been done through the teaching ministry on Sunday," Mr. J. N. Barnette, secretary of the Sunday School Department of the Board, declared, "but we sincerely feel that we greatly need the impetus of a simultaneous, Southwide period of concentrated Bible study. If every Sunday school in the Southern Baptist Convention would offer at least one week of additional Bible study in January each year, it is impossible to foretell the spiritual results, and spiritual power which would be generated."

The Sunday school secretaries felt that this new emphasis on additional Bible study was one of the most significant steps ever proposed for concerted action and joined in pledging their best energies to the promotion of the movement.

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Rev. and Mrs. H. P. McDonald enjoyed a fine week end in the service of Christ recently when they visited Carthage to perform the marriage ceremony for Clyde Williams and Miss Iva D. Mooney and preaching later at Cedar Grove church. The services at New Hope, where Rev. McDonald is pastor, were unusually good. A mission engagement in the afternoon was held, and the Union Ridge church meeting Sunday night rounded out a gracious visit. They returned to Lena happy over their experiences.

GEN. W. C. ROGERS ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY



Above shows General William Cook Rogers of Toombsub, for 84 years a Baptist, a deacon 70 years and a Sunday school superintendent and teacher for 40 years, who has just celebrated his 100th birthday. He is sitting behind a 60-pound, three-tiered and 100-candle cake, which bore crossed American and confederate flags.

General Rogers was born in French Camp, Choctaw county, and he lived in Biloxi, Louisiana and Texas, before going to Toombsub 93 years ago. He has two sons and three daughters living. His wife, two sons and a daughter are dead.

The General is commanding officer of the Mississippi Division of United Confederate Veterans. He served in the Mississippi and Alabama campaigns of the War Between the States.

A cake, presented by Mrs. Joe Rogers of Coden, Ala., was in the form of an open Bible with sweet peas and roses scattered on the open pages, one of which bore the words "It's not for mortals always to be so blessed."

General Rogers lived under 23 American presidents and through five U.S. wars. He entered the Confederate army when 17 years of age, weighing 98 pounds, as a private, and becoming head of Mississippi Veterans honorarily became a General. His descendants have reached the fifth generation.

The General received communications of congratulation and tribute from President Harry Truman, Senators J. O. Eastland and Theo. G. Bilbo of Mississippi, Governor F. S. Wright of Mississippi and his congressman, Rep. W. A. Winstead.

General Rogers was featured on a

Miss Irene Chambers, representative of the Home Mission Board, spent a week in the Deer Creek Association visiting churches and W.M.U.'s presenting the work of the Home Mission Board. Churches worked in were: Cary, Tallula, Hollandale, Isola, Silver City, Anguilla, Catchings, and Arcola. This week was part of a year's program in which all phases of missions will be presented. Last November Mr. H. P. McCormick, Missionary to Africa, presented the Foreign Field. In September Rev. J. B. Parker will present State Missions.

130 people from 13 churches met at Hollandale January 21st to launch the 1947 SS program. Eleven teams will carry this SS program into all 27 churches of Deer Creek Association.

coast-to-coast broadcast by the Renfro Valley, Ky., program, by Radio Station WCOC of Meridian in a special program and in a radio religious program, along with newspaper editorials, newstories and institutional advertisements.

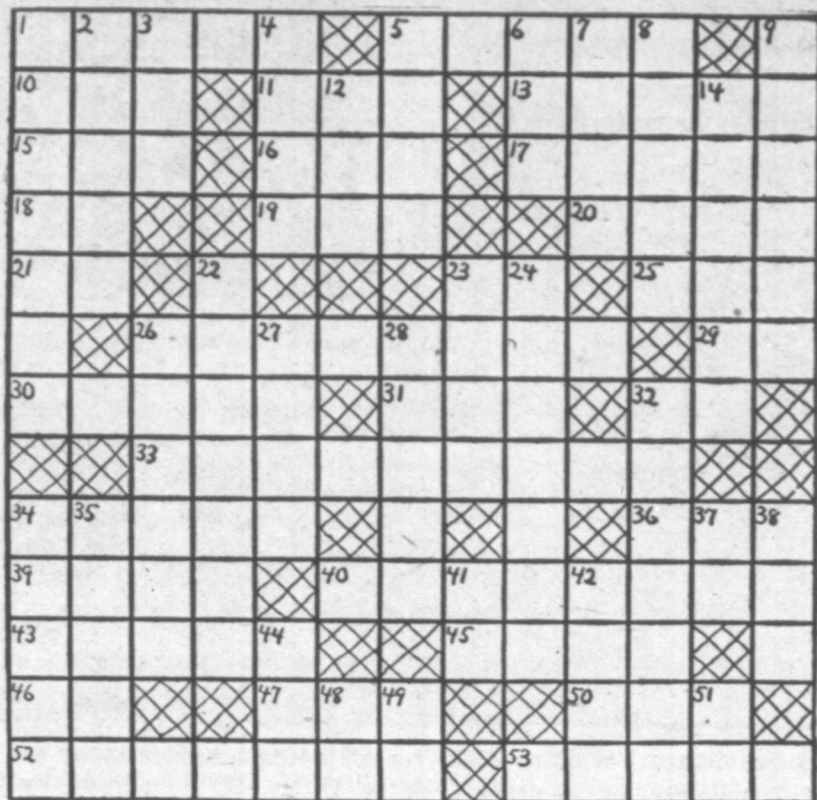
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Peeking At People

By Dr. Wm. Potter

Here we are again... the preachers seem to have brought their wives this time... Miss Ed has a new hat... Duke McCall looks over the situation from the rear of the auditorium... by 9:50 even the preachers had to take front seats... Dr. Leavell, erect and dignified... Duke spies his parents and they take front seats—in the balcony... J. E. Lane doubles in brass... takes our money for the retirement fund and helps us find a place in the auditorium... and, ladies, the hats are quite feminine this season... One sleeper already and its only 10:15... Believe there are more W.M.U. presidents than pastors... Still wish I had hair like Jackson's Calvary pastor... Winsome Kathleen Mallory speaks and everybody listens... Well, brethren its started... that 'in and out' business... this isn't a convention... its supposed to be informative and inspiring... AND IT IS... Miss Mallory pauses to congratulate Mississippi W.M.U.'ers on their \$13,000 increase in the Lottie Moon offering... and so do we... Miss Kathleen's gracious tribute to her pastor... brethren after that heart - appeal of Miss Kathleen we should be better preachers... schedule right on the dot at 11:15 as Jimmy Parrish introduces his former class-mate Duke McCall... did I see a grin on some faces as Scotchie asked "how many chairmen of the board of deacons are here".....afternoon session and the folks are slow arriving... the sisters outnumber the brothers at 2:30... why don't Baptists learn to 'squeeze in' and make room for late-comers... or why not get there on time, brother?... oh! brother! what I have just seen... 2 women come in opposite doors, sit at opposite end of same pew and (hold on gals) WEARING THE SAME STYLE HAT... Merritt's gracious endorsement of B.T.U... and Dr. Martin's resolution of thanks to host church and pastor.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began."—Titus 1:2.

ACROSS

- 1 Sour substances
 - 5 "our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the . . ."
 - 10 "Who gave himself . . . us"
 - 11 "Unto . . . pure all things are pure"
 - 13 "But unto every one of us is given . . ."
 - 15 Brother
 - 16 Yes
 - 17 Dweller in Caucasus
 - 18 "zealous . . . good works"
 - 19 "as the steward of . . ."
 - 20 "They profess . . . they know God"
 - 21 Ruthenium
 - 23 Mother
 - 25 Chemical suffix; sea (anag.)
 - 26 "that . . . forth his fruit in his season"
 - 29 Son of Judah
 - 30 "so that a bow of . . . is broken"
 - 31 Animal
 - 32 "that he might redeem . . ."
 - 33 "the author of eternal . . ."
 - 34 Sharpens
 - 36 If
 - 39 "as he . . . been taught"
 - 40 "who . . . in glory"
 - 43 Norwegian poet
 - 45 Ancestor of Christ; isle (anag.)
 - 46 "not given . . . wine"
 - 47 "but shewing . . . good fidelity"
 - 50 "a lover of good . . ."
 - 52 He was with Paul at Ephesus; uses art (anag.)
 - 53 Son of Aaron; a band (anag.)
- Our Text from Titus is 10, 11, 13, 18, 19, 20, 26, 33, 39, 40, 46, 47, and 50 combined

DOWN

- 1 Furnishes
- 2 Island of Greece
- 3 "And . . . also the Jairite was a chief ruler about David"
- 4 Male deer
- 5 "Now the parable is this: The . . . is the word of God"
- 6 The self
- 7 Formerly
- 8 Turkish title
- 9 "for the . . . killeth, but the spirit giveth life"
- 12 Pertaining to a bone near the tongue
- 14 Ends
- 22 "and . . . upon these slain, that they may live"
- 23 "For the kingdom of God is not . . . and drink"
- 24 "exceeding in dyed . . . upon their heads" (pl.)
- 26 Surrounds
- 27 "Love worketh no . . . to his neighbour" (pl.)
- 28 Clutch

- 32 Not tested
- 34 ". . . already to harvest"
- 35 "in . . . by the river of Gozan" 2 Kings 18:11
- 37 "which . . . shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ"
- 38 Song
- 41 Hebrew letter
- 42 Feminine name
- 44 Masculine nickname
- 48 Liberal Unionist
- 49 Left side
- 51 Continent

March Birthdays Of Missionaries

1. Mary Mills Dyer (Mrs. R. A.), 822 Piedmont Street, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; Lelia Memory McMillan (Mrs. H. H.), Baptist Mission, Soochow, China; Bernice Neel Rua Conde de Bomfim 743, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Elizabeth Ellyson Wiley (Mrs. J. Hundley), 3230 Patterson Avenue, Richmond 21, Virginia.

2 Frances Allison Bryan (Mrs. N. A.), Baptist Hospital, Yangchow, Kiangsu, China; Lucius B. Olive, 3 Dixie Train, Raleigh, North Carolina.

3 Anna Cloud Christie (Mrs. A. B.), 3014 Koepke Street, Corpus Christi, Texas; Donal Jones Culpepper (Mrs. O. L., Jr.), Eagle Lake, Texas.

4 Evelyn Wells Hughey, Jr. (Mrs. J. D.), 401 Church Street, Sumter, South Carolina; E. O. Mills, Seminary Hill, Fort Worth, Texas; L. D. Wood, 4701 Gordon Street, Fort Worth, Texas; Mary Lea Oxford Underwood (Mrs. J. B.), Caixa 221, Pernambuco, Recife, Brazil.

5 Anna Briggs McLean (Mrs. E. G.), Rua Ponte 709, Bello Horizonte, Minas, Brazil; Kitty Thomstad Anderson (Mrs. M. J.), Baptist Mission, Canton, China; Nannie Sessoms Britton (Mrs. T. C.), 204 Buchanan Boulevard, Durham, North Carolina; Anna B. Hartwell, 40 Chase Street, Newton Center 59, Massachusetts.

8 Thomas Newton Clinkscales, Box 6308, Seminary Hill, Fort Worth, Texas; Grace Cisco Taylor (Mrs. W. C.), Caixa 320, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

10 Vivian Nowell, Wendell, North Carolina; Charles L. Culpepper, Baptist Compound, Pao Shing Road, Shanghai, China; Albertine Meador, Caixa 320, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

15 Blanche Bradley, Battery State Hospital, Rome, Georgia.

16 J. L. Galloway, Macao, China; Margaret Stroh Hipps (Mrs. J. B.), 209 Yuen Ming Yuen Road, Shanghai, China.

17 Miriam Thomas Rankin (Mrs. S.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

(Continued from Page Three)

dent at the New Orleans Seminary. He recently came to us from Maryland. A fine congregation was present.

That evening we were at Second Church, Kosciusko, with Pastor D. S. Holman, another New Orleans Seminary student who came to us some months ago from Alabama. They worship in a splendid new building which State Missions helped erect.

We are indebted to Mr. R. D. (Bob) Sanders for allowing us to land on his airstrip and to Mr. Lester Brown for meeting us there.

G.), 321 West Grace Street, Richmond 19, Virginia.

18 E. H. Crouch, Corrente, Piahy, via Cidade da Barra, Brazil.

19 Coleman D. Clarke, Box 7, Kekaha, Kauai, T. H.; Ida Deavers Lawton (Mrs. W. W.), Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

20 Elizabeth N. Hale, 1301 Washington Street, South Boston, Virginia; Homer R. Littleton, Igede, via Ado-Ekiti, Nigeria, West Africa; Callie P. Wilcox (Mrs. E. G.), 1300 Center Avenue, Brownwood, Texas.

21 Ruth Kersey, 2321 Floyd Avenue, Richmond 20, Virginia.

22 R. L. Bausum, 5608 Tramore Road, Baltimore 14, Maryland; Ethel Singleton, Casilla 20-D, Temuco, Chile; H. Irene Smith, General Urquiza 186, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

24 Beatrice Glass, 555 Lakeland Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Ethel M. Pierce, M. D., 701 Coggin Avenue, Brownwood, Texas.

25 Emma Williams Gill (Mrs. Everett), Wake Forest, North Carolina; Victor Koon, 3165 Oahu Avenue, Honolulu 54, T. H.; Mary Bryson Tipton (Mrs. W. H.), 706 1/2 Eastwood, Houston, Texas.

26 Elizabeth Clark Callaway (Mrs. T. N.), P. O. Box 456, Wahiawa, Oahu, T. H.; Burton de Wolfe Davis, Caixa Postal 300, Fortaleza, Ceara, Brazil; Alice Wells Hall (Mrs. Harold), Baptist Mission, Chinkiang, Kiangsu, China.

28 (Miss) Waller Ray Buster, Rua Pouso Alegre 417, Bello Horizonte, Brazil; Margie Shumate, Shlu Hing, Kwangtung, China.

30 Vernon Leroy David, Cerro Las Rosas, Cordoba, Argentina.

31 Estelle Councilman, Estados Unidos 331, Asuncion, Paraguay; Fay Taylor, Box 1581, Shanghai, China.

Beacon Expands For New Growth

Pastor and Mrs. H. L. Courtney at Laurel have been given a cordial reception and Beacon church is expanding its property to take care of growth noted steadily in all phases of the work. Two buildings recently purchased for Sunday school rooms have resulted in increased attendance for the intermediates and juniors, who threaten to overflow their new quarters. Plans are under discussion for the erection of a new auditorium to be built in front of the present church. The fund for this, which will cost approximately \$50,000, has been started.

Beacon Church is located on South Magnolia Street in the heart of the largest populated residential section in Laurel. It is the only Baptist Church in this part of the city. Even though the church is young, it has already nearly 400 members and prospects of several hundred more.

The month of January was a good one as are all the months at the First Baptist Church of Quitman, Rev. W. L. Meadows, pastor. Total receipts were \$2,488.92.

Rev. Gypsy Smith, Jr., is leading a community-wide evangelistic meeting at Tchula in the school auditorium, February 2-16.

Four Full Time Churches Prove Plans Feasible

In Sunflower county the idea of full time rural churches has taken hold in a way to point the solution to the long-debated subject of the "country churches' problems," according to news from that Delta section.

These four congregations have purchased land, provided a pastor's home and called full time pastors to live on the field with the people. Rev. Curtis Askew, pastor at Linn, who has given thought to the matter declares, "One of my earliest memories is hearing at associations, discussions of the 'problems of the country church'. I resented it then, and I still do. Definitely, country churches can solve their own problems, and in Sunflower county they are doing it." At Bethany church, Rev. J. O. Payne is pastor. At New Hope, Rev. Harold Scarborough is serving. At Roundaway, Rev. Edgar Bryan leads. At Linn church, Rev. Curtis Askew is pastor. The record these churches are making provides some good proof for any who fear to see rural congregations launch out in faith into full time work."

Twenty-Five Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman

The First Church at Corinth has called Dr. W. M. Wright of McAllister, Oklahoma and he has accepted.

The Oxford Church, Rev. R. Q. Leavell pastor, sends in a good long list of names with accompanying check.

Pastor E. J. Caswell withdrew his resignation which had been presented to the West Point Church and he will remain with the people whom he has served for five years, in spite of a flattering offer elsewhere.

Dr. Wm. Bostick, who went from the pastorate of the Winona Church to the pastorate of the Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis. May the First 1921 gives a fine account of his work there. They are having from 6-10 conversions every Sunday and have received 30 into the fellowship of the church this month. Plans are completed to erect a \$1,000,000.00 educational building. He followed Dr. R. M. Inlow as pastor.

Rev. Hosea B. Price Pastor at Tunica writes that the Church has ordained Rev. B. B. Hilburn to preach and says that he is an excellent man and loved by all.

Dr. M. O. Patterson reports that a total of \$1005.03 have been paid in to the building fund of the Clinton Baptist church, by various Mississippi Baptist Sunday Schools.

After a pastorate of over five years in Shaw, Miss., Dr. I. P. Trotter has accepted a call to Sardis, Miss., to commence March first. In the last 36 years he had had six pastorates, making an average of 6 years to each. His longest pastorate was 12 years and his shortest 3.

GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

RECORD CHURCHES 93 NON-RECORD CHURCHES 7

Again the Baptist Record churches lead the procession. In last week's Baptist Record was published a list of the 100 Mississippi Baptist churches leading in total contributions through the Convention Board office for the calendar year, 1946.

Only seven of those 100 churches were not Baptist Record churches. Ninety-three of the first 100 leading giving churches were churches with the Baptist Record as a part of their program.

Evidently the Baptist Record must help for although there are exceptions to rules, there would hardly be 93 exceptions out of 100 cases.

The score: Baptist Record churches 93—Non-Baptist Record churches 7.

ONE CHURCH ORGANIZED ONE E.F. LIST RECEIVED

Rev. E. I. Farr and Rev. Martin J. Gilbert make a good combination. At least, Baptist Records so indicate.

About a year ago, Lauderdale associational missionary, Rev. Martin J. Gilbert began a mission at the Oak-

land Heights school in Meridian. Feb. 2 the mission was organized into a church with 69 charter members. Rev. E. I. Farr, of the Clarke College faculty was called as pastor. Having had the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record in all the churches of which he has been pastor since there was an EF plan, pastor Farr knew its value and started the church off right by leading them to adopt the EF plan at the organization meeting. Knowing Missionary Gilbert, Going Places is certain that he helped lead the new church to start off right by adopting the EVERY FAMILY plan.

Lauderdale county now has Record readers listed as follows: Mt. Olive 1, BETHANY 35, COLLINSVILLE 17, FELLOWSHIP 24, GOODWATER 13, HICKORY GROVE 23, Hickory Ridge 9, HIGHLAND 383, Hopewell 1, KEWANEE 41, LAUDERDALE 13, LIBERTY 18, MACEDONIA 44, MARION 27, MEEHAN 11, MIDWAY 47, FIFTEENTH AVENUE 186, MERIDIAN FIRST 514, Long Creek 1, EIGHTH AVENUE 125, FORTY-FIRST AVENUE 369, CAUSEYVILLE 41, ARKADDELPHIA 35, Calvary 1, MT. GILEAD 37, MT. NEBO 12, NEW HOPE 34, OAK GROVE 56, PINE GROVE 65, POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE 149, SOUTHSIDE 243, RUSSELL 40, TOOMSUBA 30, Union 1, PROVIDENCE 15, HEBRON 37, NEW ZION 16, SALEM 34, MT. HOREB 37, Pleasant Hill 1.

MORRISON CHAPEL IS E.F.

For several years Morrison Chapel church, Bolivar county has had the Baptist Record on the 50% plan. Realizing its value for all the members, the church is now sending the Record to most of its resident families.

Rev. J. W. Sturdivant is pastor. He serves this church in connection with his pastorate at Merigold.

Bolivar county churches are almost 100% Baptist Record churches. Record readers are now listed as follows: BENOIT 39, BOYLE 67, CLEVELAND FIRST 248, DUNCAN 42, GUNNISON 13, INTERSTATE 30, MERIGOLD 38, MORRISON CHAPEL 35, PACE 33, PROVIDENCE 29, ROSEDALE 39, Shady Oak 8, Shaw 4, SHELBY 64, SKENE 38, Stringtown 1, Waxhaw 10, BOLIVAR MISSION 20, SUNNYSIDE 13.

FIRST CHURCH, TUPELO, IS NUMBER 848

"A stitch in time saves nine." First Church, Tupelo, Dr. H. R. Holcomb, pastor, was that stitch in time. Due to the first of the year drops and expirations, the Baptist Record circulation would have dropped below the 56,000 mark in circulation (which had barely been reached just before the Christmas holidays), but for the timely arrival of the EVERY FAMILY list from First Church, Tupelo. One day later and the circulation would have been back below the 56,000 mark.

Dr. H. R. Holcomb is in his nineteenth year as pastor of First Church, Tupelo. During his ministry the work of the church has grown and is still growing. Many have been the accomplishments. Among them may be listed: 2,092 additions to the church; the building of a large open air Tabernacle, which is used for the evening services during the summer and where the annual County-Wide Tabernacle meeting is held; the adoption by the church of tithes and offerings as its financial plan, which the Lord has abundantly blessed; the church owns and operates three buses and two cars which are used each Sunday to bring people to Sunday School and church (these buses are driven by members

of the Brotherhood); the Pastor pastors three rural churches and supports two missionaries in the county; the morning worship services is broadcast over the local Radio Station which gives thousands the opportunity to hear the Gospel.

DUNCAN HILL IS NUMBER 850

Duncan Hill church, Calhoun county, is number 850 on the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

At an association last fall, Rev. J. S. Dorroh told us that he had been called to the pastorate of Duncan Hill church and that he would present the EVERY FAMILY plan as soon as he got on the field. Having had the EF plan in other churches he knew its value and was anxious to have it in his new pastorate.

In a recent letter to Editor Goodrich, pastor Dorroh wrote, "As I promised you at the association, I presented the EF plan at Duncan Hill. IT TOOK ABOUT TWO MINUTES to present the plan and the church adopted it."

Calhoun county now has Record readers as follows: BETHEL 49, BETHANY 75, Big Creek 3, BRUCE 151, CALHOUN CITY FIRST 151, College Hill 2, DERMA 55, Gaston Springs 2, MACEDONIA 16, MERIDIAN 13, Mt. Moriah 12, Oak Grove 9, OLDTOWN 44, PITTSBORO 35, PLEASANT RIDGE 18, Pleasant Grove 8, Rocky Mountain 1, CALVARY 27, NEW LIBERTY 30, ELLARD 25, DUNCAN HILL 29, SHILOH 40, Spring Hill 1, VARDAMAN 96, BANNER 21, CALHOUN CITY SECOND 63, POPLAR SPRINGS 12, Concord 1, Parker 1, Antioch 10, PILGRIM'S REST 14, MT. TABOR 19, SABOUGLA 34.

She Purposed In Her Heart

Her application for entrance in the School of Nursing of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis was complete.

Six words on that application blank were noted by the Hospital Student Secretary—"I'd like to be a Baptist" was written where church affiliation was called for on the blank. A post script was added to the letter being mailed to this prospective student along with others, asking an opportunity to talk with her about being a Christian, then a Baptist.

Immediately upon her arrival, our new student sought the office of the Student Secretary. Hers was an eagerness to accept the plan of salvation presented from the Scriptures. Church membership and activity gave a new radiance to her life. Each new experience in Sunday school thrilled her. At the State B.S.U. Convention, her faith was strengthened and her ambition for Christian service heightened.

In the closing program of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions a pageant was presented emphasizing the hunger of many nations for the message that Christian nurses can give. Her heart throbbed as she pictured herself as the keeper of the keys that locked their Bibles. "Yes, I'll go—wherever God wills" she determined. Following a message from the Hospital Pastor on "The Call of The Master", she made her declaration to her fellow students, "They must know!" Shortly afterward in her own church this new Christian, already a mission volunteer, re-dedicated her life to a deeper service in His name.

Life has a purpose as she lives today!—V. E. BOSTON, Hospital Pastor.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
Lesson for February Sixteenth
THE FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING.
John 7-9; Immediate Text, John 7:37-39.

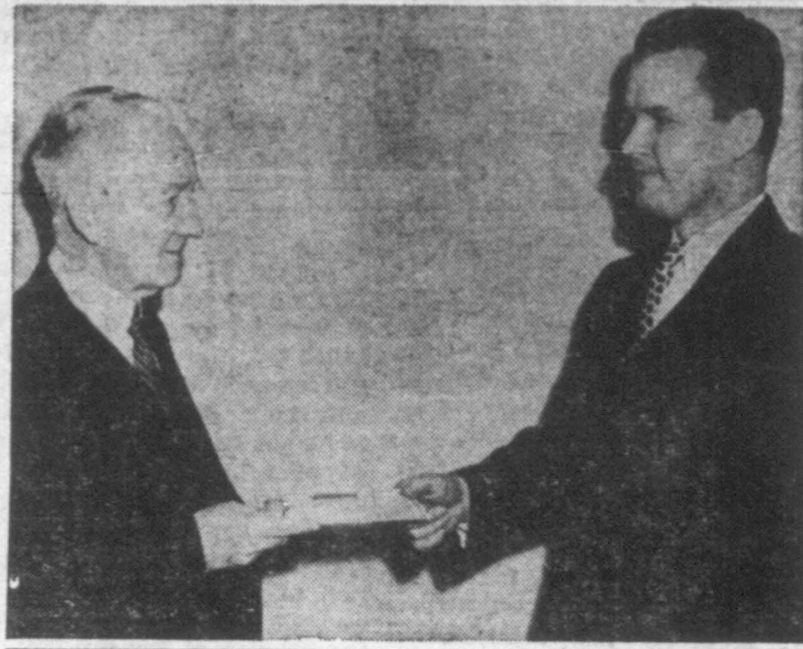
I. Fountain of Knowledge. This is He. Our committee has again this week assigned us a section of scripture, mainly made-up of the words of our Master, so long that we may have no hope of covering all of it in this article, or of teaching it within the limits of one lesson period. But I do beg of you to read it, all of it at one sitting, and then again.

Think of Jesus now as the teacher with right above all other teachers to teach and to be heard and heeded. Here we have Him standing, as elsewhere He is represented as being seated as He taught. It was on the last great day of the feast that He stood as heralds always stood, to announce, to proclaim, to publish. Our Lord is standing here in the midst of the multitudes and lifting up His voice that the thousands who throng the temple area may hear. I say again that of all men of any age, He has a right to be heard: first, because of who He is. It does matter who it is that is speaking, and here is the Son of God; then, of the hearers to whom the words are addressed. "If any man", and so the address is beamed to any many of any condition or situation, of any time or clime. His words are addressed to me, whoever I am, to you, whoever you are; thirdly, of the matter of His speech. That speech concerns itself with the eternal destinies of men, with what men are now and what they shall become, of whether men shall walk the way of dolor and death or the way heart-health, of soul-healing, of happiness, of whether men shall remain little or grow large, of whether men shall remain children of the devil or be re-born, children of God.

II. The Invitation. "Let him come". He is welcome. Who? Any man. If any man... let him come.

III. The Condition. "Thirst". "If any man thirst". It is not, "If any man admire Me," or, "If any man seek entertainment", or "If any man would satisfy his curiosity", but, "If any man thirst", hunger, desire with a desire so strong that it becomes a tree of life. There is a story of a youth of the olden days who came to Socrates and found the philosopher in the public bath, and told him that many miles had been traveled to reach him and that the desire of the seeker was to have Socrates tell him where truth might be found. Socrates induced the youth into the bath, grasped him, pushed his head under the water and held it there while the youth struggled to free himself and get his head above the water. When Socrates at length released him, the youth rather angrily demanded the reason for such treatment, whereat the philosopher said to him, "When you want the truth as you just now wanted air, and as willing to struggle for it, you will find it". Come, my brother! Did you ever thirst for the water of Eternal Life? Did you ever long to be saved from waste of life to the profit of Godliness, from the wrath of God to the assurance of heaven? Ever thirst for it at night as famished men under a parching desert

Southern Baptist Foundation Receives First Check



Dr. Duke McCall (right), executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation, is shown receiving from Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Sunday School Board, the first check given to the new Foundation set up by the Convention at Miami. The Sunday School Board voted to give \$10,000 as an initial gift for the Foundation. Additional gifts are expected to follow.

sun thirst for the waters of cooling streams? You have? Then Christ addressed this invitation to you. What? You have never so thirsted! God pity you!

IV. Full Supply. "Drink." "How much?" All you will, all you wish. Drink to the complete quenching of your soul-thirst. He touched the eyes of a blind man once, and the blind man saw not clearly, and then He touched the eyes again, and then the erstwhile blind man saw all things clearly. He fed 5,000 men and boys once, and it was not just a bite or one mouthful apiece, but they were all satisfied. He took a fevered woman by the hand once, and when He raised her up she had no fever, but was completely restored. He touched the withered soul of a sinner once and that withered soul was restored whole. He spoke a word of command to a dead man once, and that man got up and came out of his grave alive in every limb. That is the way He does! Believe Him! He justifies your belief. Receive Him! He enters in. Yield to Him! He will master your life to the fulfillment of its finest possibilities.

V. The New Condition. "Out from within him shall flow rivers of living water". See. The drinker becomes the source of a fountain. There shall flow out of him to all those about him, near and as far as to the ends of the earth, rivers of water of the quality which he drank as he believed on Him who is fountain. Rivers of living water! An abundant supply for himself and for all who will receive it at his hand, for his family and his friends, an abundant supply. And it shall be living water, nothing stagnant or insipid, but thirst-quenching, invigorating, refreshing, stimulating, love-begetting, Christ-serving water.

VI. Spiritual Meaning. Of course! Nobody with any sense and without a theory to support would ever think He was taking of something material, just as nobody with any sense and no theory to support would ever think He meant for people to eat His flesh and drink His literal blood. He broke a piece of bread and said, "This is my body", but His body was there, before them. He poured some wine in a cup, and said, "This is my blood," but His blood, His literal blood was in his body there before them. "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and

Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

February 17—Rev. Wayne Alliston, Rankin county, Convention Board Member; Rev. L. G. Sansing, B.T.U. President, District 6.

February 18—Harvey Hedgepeth, Trustee, Baptist Hospital; J. D. Arevalo, Assistant Professor, Foreign Language, Mississippi College.

February 19—R. L. Covington, Trustee, Baptist Foundation; Miss Bessie Purvis, Field Worker, W.M.U. Department.

February 20—Mrs. J. J. Paschal, Trustee, Blue Mountain College; Mrs. Alda M. Matthews, Assistant Superintendent, Mailing Department, Baptist Record.

February 21—Mrs. J. C. Huffman, Dietitian, Baptist Orphanage; Miss Daunie Jean Smith, Office Secretary, B.S.U. Department.

February 22—Rev. C. J. Olander, Member Committee on Aged Ministers; Rev. E. R. Pinson, Bible Professor, Clarke Memorial College.

February 23—Dr. W. A. Sullivan, Mississippi College Trustee; Rev. J. A. Wade, Montgomery Association B.T.U. Director.

Episcopalians Urged To Abandon Drinking From Common Communion Cup

WASHINGTON, D. C., —(RNS)—Episcopalians here have been urged to "abandon" the practice of drinking from a common Communion cup by Dr. George C. Ruhland, District health officer and nationally-known public health physician.

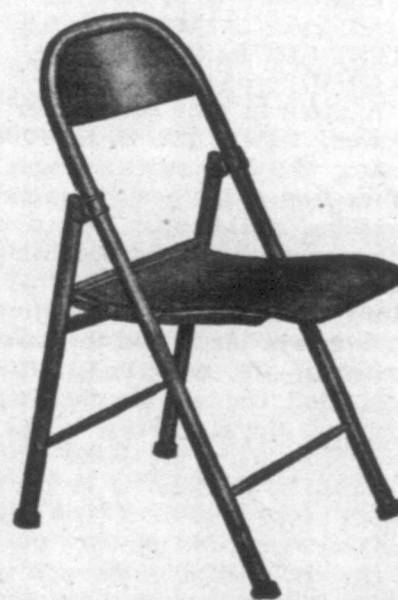
Dr. Ruhland said he made his recommendation on the basis of sanitary studies concerning saliva-borne infections and declared that the Roman

drink." This He said of the spirit. Of course, and they who come to Him now receive the Spirit.

Catholic Church had given up the common cup in the 14th century because of plagues and other outbreaks of disease which might be traceable to the common cup.

He suggested that Episcopal clergymen use a procedure called "intinction," a method of administering both elements of Communion at once, by dipping the bread in the wine. This procedure is already used by some communicants in Episcopal churches and has been approved by Episcopal bishops.

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